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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### French Crisis

THE latest National Assembly vote, though an impressive 408 to 166 in favour of the Government continuing in power, is described in the latest cables as "not an absolute majority". A constitutional majority is said to be 296 votes. M. Pflimlin has decided that he cannot include the votes of the Communists in the result and deducting their 148 votes in his favour, this leaves him with 36 less than a constitutional majority.

Reports make it clear that the way is now open for the Pflimlin Government to resign and if this course is adopted — and the sooner the better — President Rene Coty may call on General de Gaulle immediately to try and form a government. It is difficult to predict the likely course events in France will take, but from the latest cables this is anything seems likely sooner or later.

### More Dangerous

WE have said that the sooner Pflimlin resigns the better. The situation is hourly becoming more dangerous. The Army in Algeria has threatened to drop parachutists into France and while this may only have been a threat to stampede deputies into voting for de Gaulle's installation, it would be wrong to underestimate the Army's intentions.

If Pflimlin's cabinet decides that the Government has been given a mandate by last night's Assembly vote to continue in office, this can only postpone the inevitable and it would seem that the best course then would be for the Premier to enter into fresh negotiations with the various parties and try to hammer out a definite agreement on the de Gaulle issue.

Only by doing this can he vindicate the statement made before the vote, that the Government would not "create a power gap" by resigning without a vote from the Assembly. In France's interest it must be hoped that a smooth transition from the old to the new cabinet can be made quickly. If ever a firm hand and a bold decisive mind were needed at the helm of France they are needed in the next few hours.

### Bad Manners?

HONGKONG concert and playgoers are frequently criticised for arriving late. Main reasons why: artists and actors are distracted, already seated people disturbed, and it is also said to be "bad manners."

But are latecomers to blame? Or is it the doorman who let them in after the show has started? Surely most concertgoers, music lovers holding expensive tickets, leave home with the intention of arriving before the programme starts — and in most cases it is bad luck or bad timing if they don't.

But there is a solution which still leaves people free to pay for the privilege of being late yet eliminates disturbance and distraction inside. The authorities should notify the public beforehand that the doors will close either two minutes before the show is to begin or at the moment the artist appears on the stage. Latecomers will then not be admitted until the first interval.

Harry Odell's men at the old Empire Theatre often did this. There were no complaints then — and there need be none in future if the practice is more widely adopted. Rudeness begins when, despite arriving late, some push past the doorman and begin looking for their own seats.

# PFLIMLIN WINS CRUCIAL ASSEMBLY VOTE AND CABINET CONSIDERS... TO QUIT OR NOT TO QUIT?

## Premier Meets Coty On Latest Dilemma 'PARATROOPS READY'

Paris, May 28.

The Premier, Pierre Pflimlin won a parliamentary showdown vote against General Charles de Gaulle last night, but was reliably reported to be ready to offer his Government's resignation because he failed to win an absolute majority in the House.

His Cabinet later failed to agree after an early-morning session whether or not to continue in office with so slim a margin. When the Cabinet meeting ended M. Pflimlin announced that he was going straight to the Elysee Palace to inform President Coty what happened at the Cabinet meeting.

### Yes And No

The Minister of Information, Albert Gazier, said the Cabinet would hold its normal weekly session at 9.30 a.m. but the Foreign Minister, M. Rene Pleven, said later it would not. The confusion that surrounded the Government and Parliament ever since the Assembly vote appeared no nearer solution after the Cabinet meeting. Some ministers said M. Pflimlin would put it up squarely to President Coty to make the final decision whether the Cabinet should quit or not. The sources said M. Pflimlin would explain to the President that his main concern was that there should not be another crisis with no government in power.

### No Majority

In a critical vote in the Assembly a little after midnight, M. Pflimlin gained 408 votes to 166 but he had earlier said he would discount the 148 Communist votes in his favour. This gives him less than the absolute majority—296—he had demanded.

When the result of the vote was announced the President of the Assembly, M. Andre Le Troquer said: "I shall hold myself ready hour by hour and if need be this very night to call the Assembly together for a new session in order to hear the result of the Government's decision at the forthcoming cabinet meeting."

Before the vote M. Pflimlin told the Assembly that his government would not "create a power gap" by resigning without a vote from the deputies. He spoke to a tense and packed assembly session of his night meeting with General De Gaulle.

## New K.C.R. Terminal Report Received

By a China Mail Reporter

The Government has just received a report from a United Kingdom firm of consultant engineers on the possibility of moving the Kowloon-Canton Railway terminal at Tsimshui to a site in Hunghom. A spokesman said this morning that the report required detailed study and the recommendation was not likely to be made known until after the study had been completed.

In January this year, Mr. V. A. M. Robertson, a partner of Sir William Halcrow and Partners of London, came here at the invitation of the Government to make the study about the re-siting of the KCR terminal. At the Legislative Council to be held this afternoon, the Government is voting for a sum of \$24,000, a further provision required in addition to the approved provision of \$20,000, as fees for the services of Mr. Robertson.

### Troops Ready

Algiers reports said three battalions of paratroopers had been ready to jump into France if General de Gaulle did not make a move toward taking over.

No responsible officer would confirm the reports, which claimed that three battalions of airborne troops were set to spread the rebellion against the authority of Paris by direct action.

Military sources said planes were standing by during the day for the two-hour hop across the Mediterranean and a mass drop possibly in the Mediterranean and a mass drop possibly in the Mediterranean and a mass drop possibly in the Mediterranean.

### Public Safety

Meanwhile an anonymous "communique" distributed in Paris today said that between May 16 and May 18 Committees of Public Safety were set up at 34 towns and villages in France and others were being set up. It added: "In spite of the censorship which weighs upon the French Press and radio, presently in the hands of politicians who are clinging to their privileges and whose sole object it is to muffle the voice of France, we shall keep you informed of the work accomplished."

It ended: "Long live France, Long live De Gaulle, Long live the Algiers Committee."—U.P.I. and Reuter.

### Romer's Condition

Dr. J. D. Romer "is progressing very satisfactorily," according to doctors at the Queen Mary Hospital this morning.

Dr. Romer, Pest Control Officer, bitten by an Indian Cobra, a deadly poisonous snake, last Wednesday, May 21, and was rushed to the hospital.

He is likely to remain in hospital for sometime yet.

## Cholera In Bangkok?

### HONGKONG AUTHORITIES WANT INFORMATION

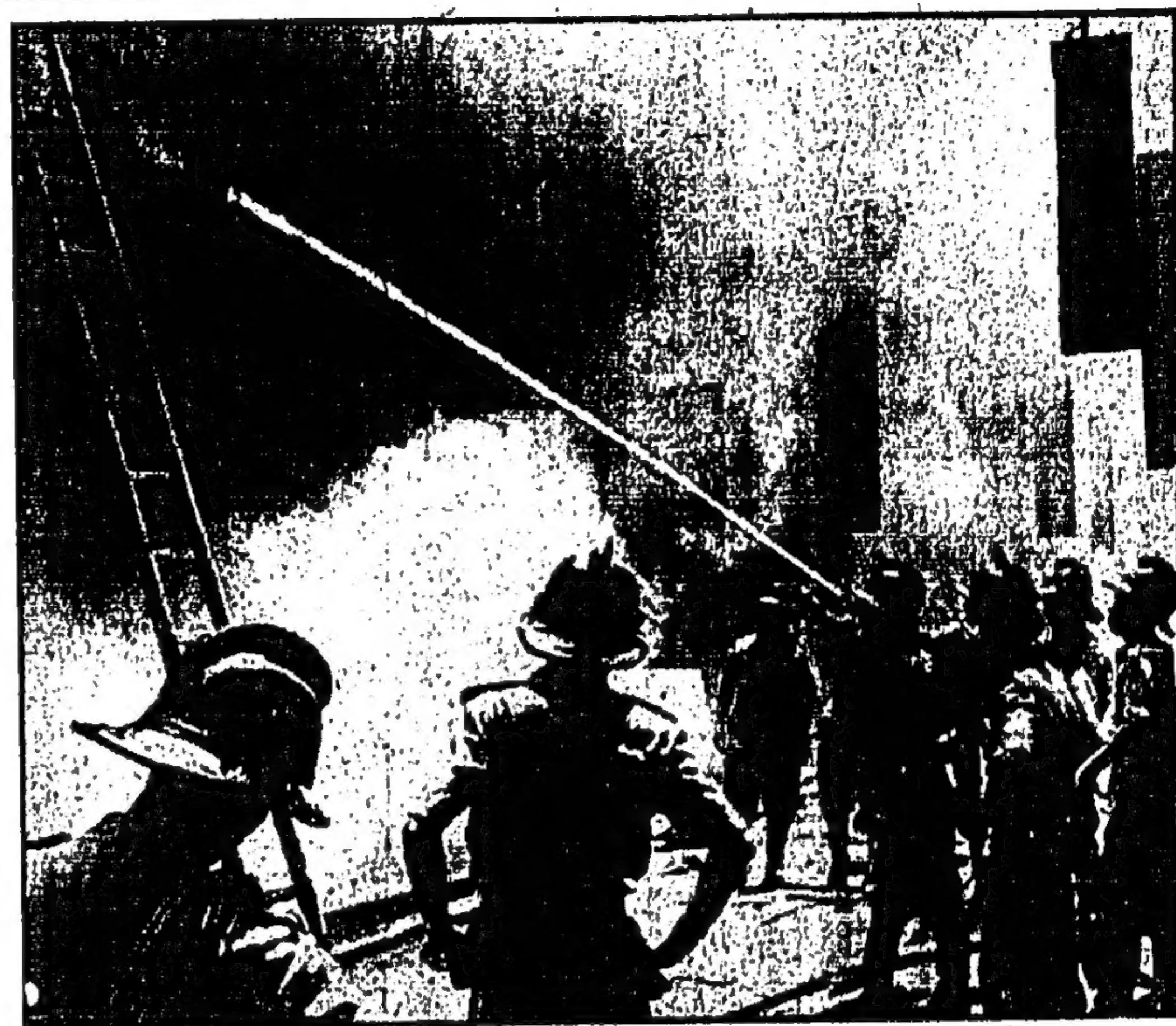
THE Health Authority here has sent a cable to a centre of the World Health Organisation in Singapore, requesting information concerning a reported outbreak of cholera in Bangkok.

According to a news agency, it was officially announced yesterday that a cholera epidemic in Bangkok has taken a death toll of 12 persons of the 52 cholera victims admitted to hospital. The deaths, the report said, were limited to Bangkok and the adjoining province of Dhonburi which on Monday night were announced as the infected areas. The Hongkong cable was sent today in view of news agency reports of the alleged outbreak. The request for information was addressed to the Epidemiological Intelligence Station of the WHO. The function of this station is to collect health data and information on

epidemic outbreaks in South-East Asia and Western Pacific Regions, and then to relay warnings to authorities concerned for action. So far, the Hongkong Health Authority has not received any warning of a cholera outbreak in Bangkok. But because of the news reports, the Government here is seeking clarification — just in case.

Because of the absence of an official warning or confirmation, Bangkok has not yet been declared an epidemic port, and arrivals to Hongkong from the Thai capital are not subjected to any special health measures. In Singapore, Health Ministry officials told Reuter today they knew nothing of a news agency report that cholera had broken out in Bangkok. The Minister of Health, Mr. A. J. Briggs, said in the absence of any official information, Singapore could take no action.

## HK GODOWN BLAZE



Firemen fighting a blaze which gutted two godowns near Central Theatre, Hong Kong, this morning. See back page for full story. — China Mail Photo.

## WANTS MAKARIOS ARRESTED FOR MURDER OF BRITONS

"CHAMPION OF BRITISH SOLDIER IN CYPRUS"

Bristol, May 27.

A self-styled "Champion of the British soldier in Cyprus" tried to swear out a warrant against Greek Cypriot leader Archbishop Makarios in a magistrate's court here today.

His attempt failed, but 45-year-old Ivor Worth said he would come back and try again. The attempt to swear out a warrant against the exiled Greek Cypriot leader was the latest move in a storm which blew up when the Archbishop of Canterbury invited Makarios to attend the Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops in London.

### NOT KNOWN

It is not yet known whether Makarios himself will attend the ecclesiastical conference, although his church has accepted the invitation.

Worth requested that a warrant be issued for the Archbishop's arrest as soon as he landed in Britain. He asked that the warrant be taken out on grounds of the Archbishop's "criminal complicity in the murder of Corporal Angus Milne in Cyprus, in November 1956."

Milne was one of the first British servicemen to be killed in Cyprus. His application was refused by Assistant Magistrate's Clerk A. E. Leaman who told Worth that the warrant could not be issued unless he provided more detailed information against the prelate.

### BASIS

Worth said he was acting on the basis of a government White Paper which named Makarios as an accomplice to violence in Cyprus.

Worth told reporters he would write the Director of Public Prosecutions and ask that the information contained in the White Paper be made available to him.

"If information is not made available to me, I shall go back to court with whatever evidence I can muster from other sources," he added. He said relatives of any Briton murdered in Cyprus could take the same course of action.

The Colonial Office in London did not have any immediate comment on Worth's attempted legal move.—U.P.I.

## Macmillan Said

### Able To Beat Ike At GOLF!

London, May 28.

Mr Harold Macmillan is reported today to have improved his golf so much that he could beat President Eisenhower.

The Prime Minister's golf has "got better and better during his Scottish Whitsun holiday," the News Chronicle's diarist reports.

Yesterday, says the diarist, he "started his caddy with a round of 91 on the Queen's course at Glenegles."

His score on the par 69 mountain course would have been better but for the fact he visited 12 bunkers on his way round.

### TWO STROKES

Mr Macmillan shot professional figures at times—taking two strokes for a hole on two occasions.

At one stage Mr Macmillan said to his caddy: "That's not a bad drive for an old man bordering on 70."—China Mail Special.

### Wife Is 13

London, May 27.

The J. Arthur Rank Organisation announced today it was cancelling bookings of American rock and roll singer Jerry Lee Lewis.

The action followed disclosure that Lewis's wife—with him here on the tour—is 13 years old, and that he had married her before his divorce from his second wife was final.—China Mail Special.

## Peking Again Flays Yugoslavia For 'Revisionism'

Peking, May 27.

The Chinese Communist Party has accused Yugoslav Communist leaders of having "played the inglorious role of provocateur and interventionist in the counter-revolutionary uprising in Hungary" in 1956.

The charge was made in a resolution, only just published here, on a report to the second session of the party's eighth congress by a vice-premier, Teng Hsiao-ping, on last November's conference of Communist parties in Moscow.

This is the Chinese Communist Party's most bitter attack on the attitude of the Yugoslav Government towards the Hungarian uprising.

The resolution said: "Their (Yugoslavia's) schemes failed only because leading comrades of the Hungarian socialist workers party consistently maintained a principled and correct attitude during and after suppressing the counter-revolutionary uprising."

The resolution said of the Yugoslavs: "In regard to United States imperialism, that most pernicious enemy of the people in every part of the world, they were sycophantic and deeply grateful."

The Chinese charged that the Yugoslavs were trying "to sap the revolutionary energy of the working class in capitalist countries" and "directed the spearhead of their attack against the Socialist camp headed by the Soviet Union."

Meanwhile, in Belgrade, Borba, Yugoslavia's official Communist newspaper, said last night that a new Chinese attack on Yugoslav "revisionism" contradicted claims that the Soviet bloc was engaged only in "comradely criticism."

The Chinese attack, contained in a resolution passed by the Chinese Communist Party congress in Peking, showed that old Cominform policy was being carried out with the use of Cominform methods, Borba said.

Borba warned: "If such a policy and such methods are continued, events will undoubtedly prove that the so-called criticism of the League of Communists of Yugoslavia is in large measure only a superficial manifestation of an incorrect political line."

The Yugoslav newspaper, in an editorial prepared for tomorrow's edition, gave the first Yugoslav comment on the latest Soviet-Yugoslav clash since the surprise birthday telegram from Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet leader, to President Tito last Sunday.—Reuter.

## Rabbi Was Made To Undress On Public Pier

### Files Suit Against U.S. Government

New York, May 27.

A rabbi filed a \$100,000 suit against the Government today, charging he was forced to disrobe on a crowded pier at Hoboken, New Jersey, while Federal agents searched him for smuggled goods.

The rabbi, Ernest Klein, 61, head of Kehel Chasidim Synagogue in Brooklyn, said the agents seized him when he went to the pier on November 6, last year to greet relatives arriving on the liner Siamdrom.

"The suit said he was forced to stand 'in cold, damp and windy weather for extended periods in various states of undress' from 8.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m."

His lawyer, Sidney Raphael, said Mr Klein was told he was being searched as a possible smuggler but that the Government agents refused to say what they were looking for. He said the search was "unwarranted" and denied that Mr Klein was a smuggler.—U.P.I.

## Gives Silver Find To Govt!

Peking, May 27.

A wealthy Chinese millowner has dug up a hoard of silver buried in his garden 20 years ago and has given it to the Government to help build a new power station, the newspaper Ta Kung Pao said today.

The newspaper said the millowner is Chen Chang-ching, of Lanchow, in Choking Province on the east coast of China, and his hoard was 3,200 silver Chinese dollars, valued at about £2,500.—Reuter.

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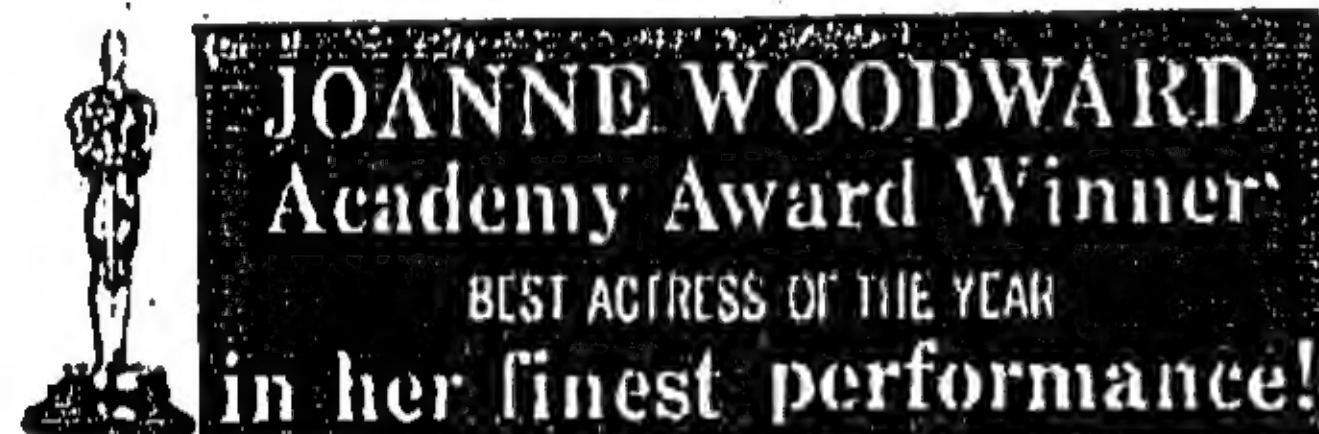
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# 'Old Faithful' In London



The "one-of-a-kind" Haywire, which went with the British Trans-Atlantic Expedition led by Sir Vivian Fuchs, shown in Trafalgar Square, London, where it is on view prior to touring the chief cities of Britain.—Central Press Photo.

# WAR BRIDE GETS DIVORCE

# HUSBAND WENT TO LOOK FOR HOUSE—NEVER RETURNED

Sydney, May 27.  
A New South Wales supreme court judge today granted what is believed to be the first divorce decree to a Japanese war bride against an Australian husband.

# PAKISTAN DENIES CHARGE

Karachi, May 27.  
The Pakistan Government has denied that strategic landing fields and rocket launching bases were being prepared in west Pakistan as alleged in a Russian note delivered to Pakistan in the middle of April this year.

The texts of the Russian note and the Pakistani reply, which was handed to the Russian Ambassador by the Foreign Secretary Mr. M. S. A. Baig here last Saturday were officially released today.

The Russian note appealed to the Pakistan Government to give "more sober consideration" to the international situation and to "think of what grave consequences will inevitably await Pakistan if its territory will be allowed for the establishment of military bases for use against the Soviet Union and other peace-loving countries."—Reuter.

# Another Enters Religious Work

New York, May 27.  
Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles' daughter, Mrs. Lillian Dulles Hinshaw, the mother of four children, received a divinity degree tonight from Union Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Hinshaw, 43, was the second of Mr. Dulles' children to enter religious work. His son, Avery, was ordained a Roman Catholic priest two years ago at the age of 38 and is now studying in Germany. Mr. Dulles is a life elder at the Brick Presbyterian Church on Park Avenue.

Mrs. Hinshaw's husband, Robert, a public relations executive, is a Quaker.—U.P.I.

# Agreement

Rangoon, May 27.  
Burma and the United States signed an economic agreement here today under which Burma will buy from the United States \$17 million (£2,750,000) worth of agricultural commodities and pay in Burmese currency.

# CADETS THREW BOYS INTO STREAM

Cambridge, May 27.  
Sandhurst cadets rounded up schoolboys playing in the grounds of the Royal Military Academy and threw them into a stream, it was disclosed here.

An Academy spokesman said: "These boys have been in the stream several nights causing damage."

"Recently, they cut a rope on a physical training course which could have caused an accident had it not been noticed."

"They were rounded up on Monday night. Policemen were there to take their names."

# WERE TIPPED

"Then some boys were tipped into the Wish Stream," Mrs. Eva Dory told reporters: "My 14-year-old son, Gordon, came home with his clothes drenched. He suffers from asthma."

"I think what the cadets have done is disgusting. Gordon had no been in the Academy grounds since Easter."

Mr. Derek Cartwright, whose 13-year-old son Derek was also thrown in, said: "We are not taking this lying down."

"We are complaining to the Academy about it. My wife is extremely angry."

It is believed that about ten boys were involved.—China Mail Special.

# DUTCH JUDGE'S RULING ON INDONESIA

The Hague, May 27.  
The Hague's district court President ruled today that the Indonesian State is not subject to Dutch law.

In doing so, the President lifted the attachment of concessions payments due to Indonesia by the (Dutch) Billiton Mining Company.

# ATTACHMENTS

The attachment was ordered last week by a Dutch citizen, 66-year-old Johannes van der Haas, now living in Monaco.

Van der Haas owned a building at Djakarta, some mining concessions in Indonesia and a package of shares in Indonesian sugar plantations.

The total value of his possessions was estimated at three million guilders (US\$800,000) when they were taken over by the Indonesian Government.—U.P.I.

# Border Shots

Tel Aviv, May 27.  
Intermittent firing broke out along the Israeli-Syrian border today and lasted for an hour, according to an Israeli Army spokesman.

He said armed Syrians opened fire on two Israeli surveyors working inside Israeli territory north-east of Lake Huleh. There were no Israeli casualties.—Reuter.

# Good Terms

Little's family met her when she arrived in February, 1953 and she lived with them in Cronulla, a Sydney suburb.

Mrs. Little said she was on very good terms with Little's parents but not on particularly good terms with Little.

Their son was born in November, 1953, seven months after Little deserted her, she said.

Mrs. Little said that Little gave her no reason for deserting her—she said he was looking for a home for them both but never returned, she said.

The Navy had told her they did not know where her husband was as he was absent without leave.—Reuter.

# Pte PRESLEY



# WILL GO TO GERMANY AS A 'TANKER'

Fort Hood, May 27.  
The Army said today that Pte Elvis Presley will go to Germany in September after he finishes training as a "Tanker."

Presley finishes his basic training at Fort Hood in Texas on Saturday. After this he is eligible for two weeks' leave.

Then he returns to Fort Hood for eight weeks of "advanced individual training" as an armour crewman or "Tanker," with the Second Armoured Division.

Then he gets six weeks of unit training, which ends on September 20. He then will go to Germany as part of a packet replacement for the Third Armoured Division.—U.P.I.

# U.P.-I.N.S.

# Merger

# Questioned

Washington, May 27.  
The Justice Department said today it had asked for additional information on the consolidation of United Press and International News Service into United Press International.

The request, the Department said, was made to top officials of the two organisations who conferred yesterday afternoon and last night with anti-trust chief Victor R. Hansen and his top aides.

# CONSOLIDATION

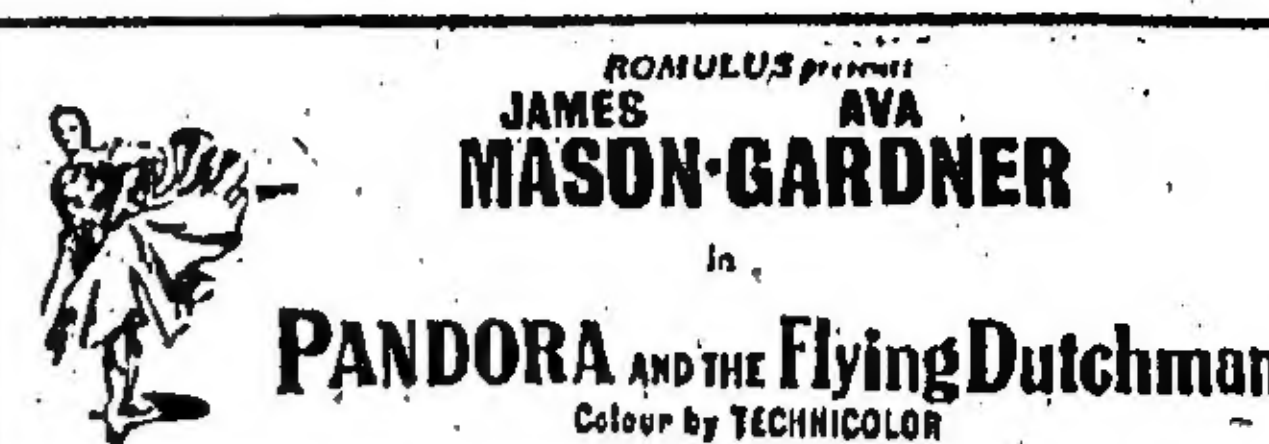
It was indicated that the Department may state its position on the consolidation within the next few days. Officials emphasised that no conclusions have been reached at this time.

Sen. Estes Kefauver (Democrat, Tennessee) told the Senate today he had urged the Justice Department to "seriously consider" seeking a preliminary injunction against the consolidation, which was announced last Saturday.

He said, "The seriousness of this merger cannot be overestimated."—U.P.I.

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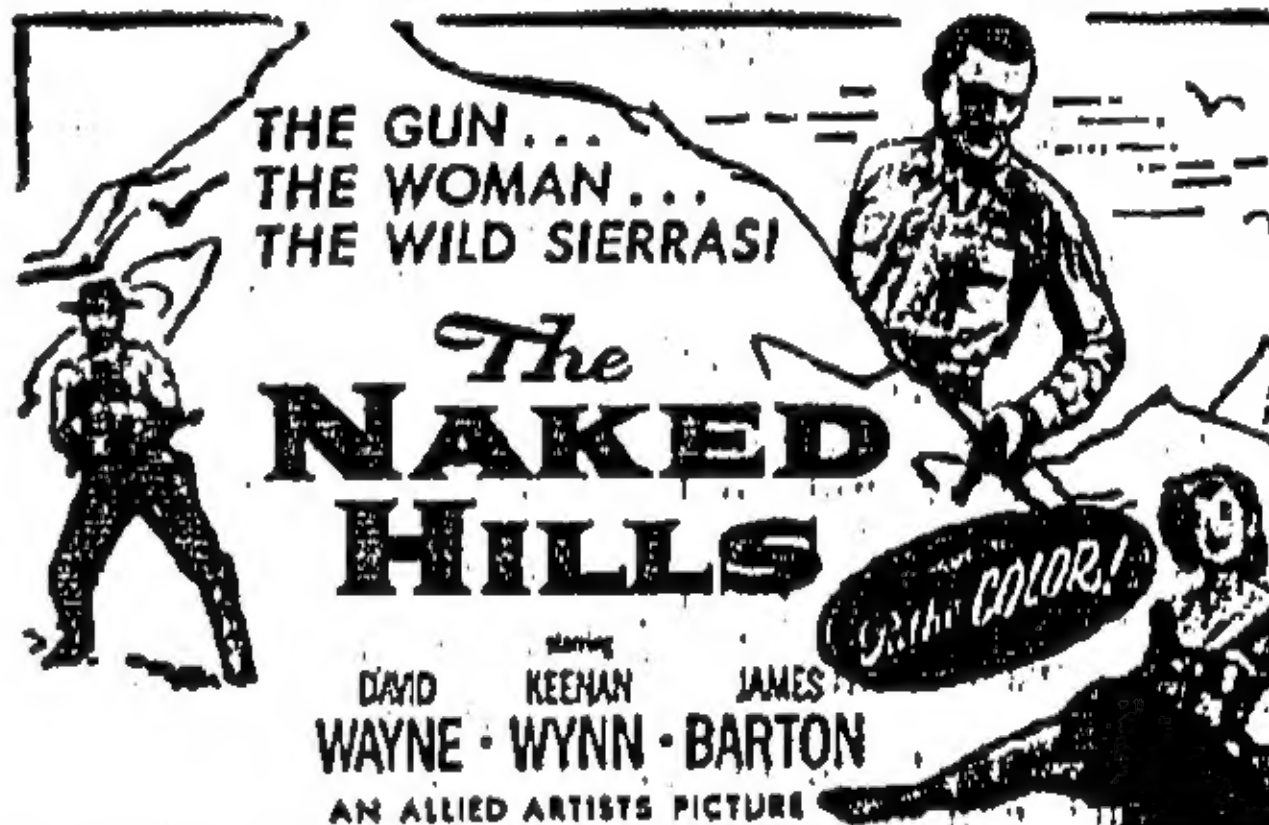
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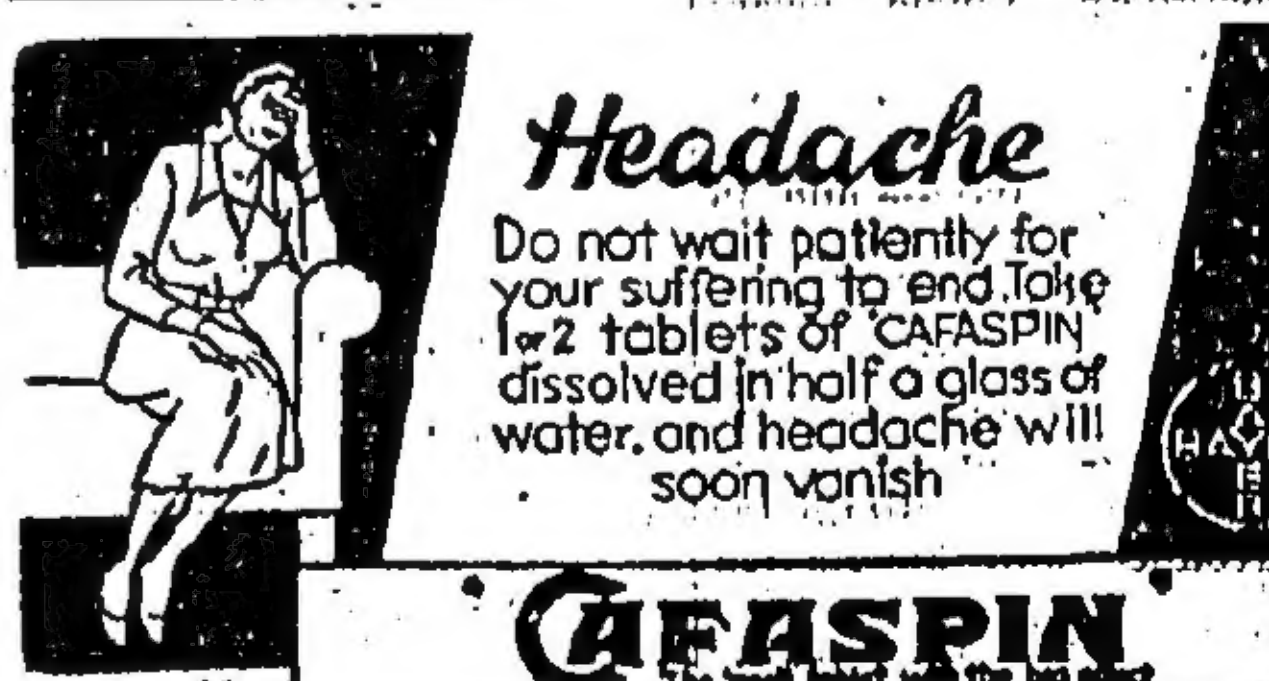
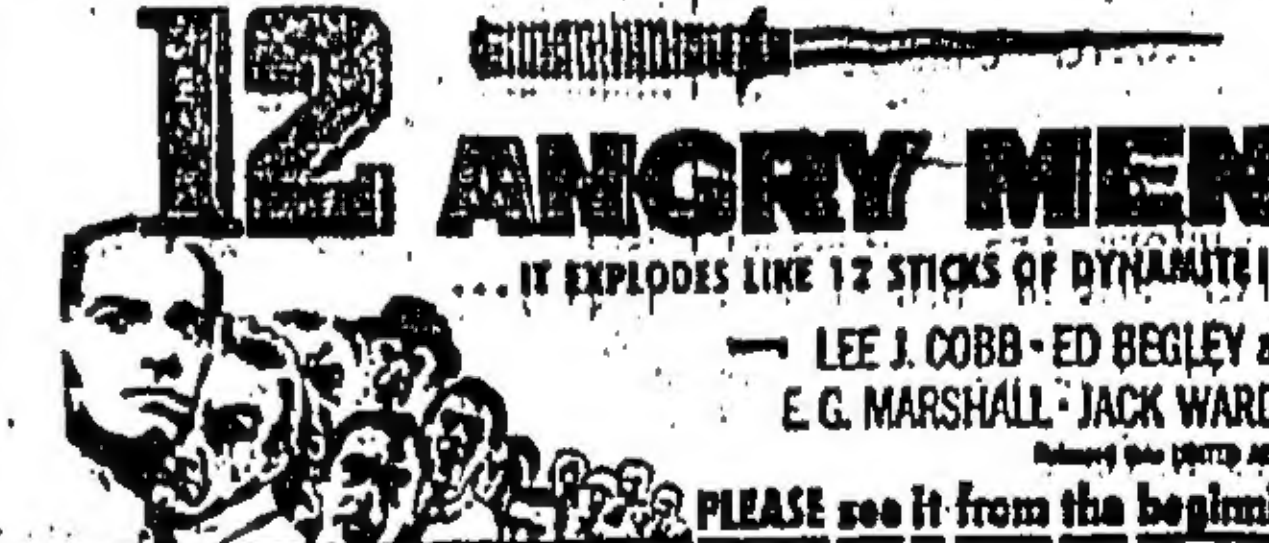
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# COMING GREAT ATTRACTION HENRY FONDA







As the Fourth Republic totters, Paris police patrol the streets of a sombre city (left) with tear gas guns; move in (above) towards demonstrators at the Arc de Triomphe while wisper members of the mobs move off to watch from safer distances; and (right) watch young rioters take to their heels.

## DUKE HELPS STUDENT EXPEDITION

London, May 28. The Duke of Edinburgh is reported today to have contributed towards the cost of an expedition to the Andes in Chile next month.

The Daily Sketch quotes one of the party, John Aarons, as saying: "The Duke said he would give us something if the Royal Geographical Society approved our work."

"We got their approval and wrote again and the Duke sent us a substantial cheque. 'I don't tell you how much it is but it will cover about one-twelfth of the expenses of the expedition.'—Reuter.



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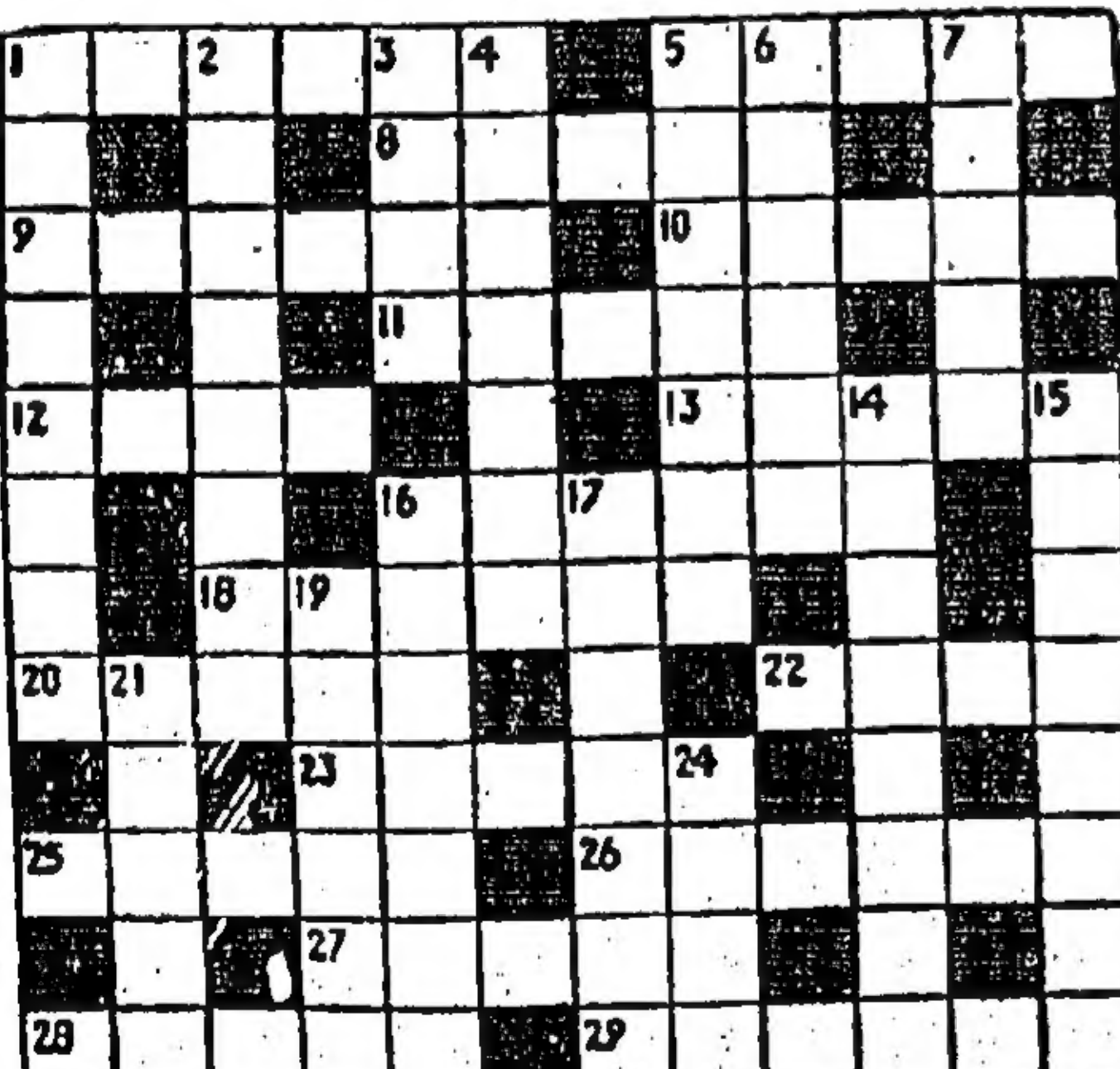
## No Home Rule For Alaska Within The Union

Washington, May 27. The United States House of Representatives today provisionally voted to kill legislation granting statehood to Alaska. The decision was subject to a final vote tomorrow. But, if allowed to stand, it would quell another defeat for attempts, which began in 1916 to transform Alaska from the status of a United States territory into the 49th state. Like Hawaii in the Pacific, Alaska as a territory is governed by a governor appointed by the president and is represented in congress by a delegate, who does not have the power to vote. Both the Republican and Democratic parties have formally called for admission of Alaska as well as Hawaii, as states within the Union. Opponents, however, have resisted proposed legislation on constitutional, economic and legal grounds.—Reuter.

## Battle at Brassa

Algiers, May 27. French aircraft and infantry killed 46 insurgents in a battle at Brassa, about 80 miles south of Algiers, it was officially announced here tonight.—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Elevated to another place? (10)
  - Possibly composed by David (5)
  - Member of a New Zealand race (5)
  - Most annoying (6)
  - Get no half, maybe (6)
  - To get a sent one may have to (5)
  - Tub city (4)
  - Water-holes (5)
  - Remove all risk (6)
  - Get no half, maybe (6)
  - For puddles ON rather than IN the water (5)
  - Jack's companion (4)
  - Pulls along slowly? (5)
  - Round number? (6)
  - Undiscovered infant, perhaps (6)
  - Gave a beginner a hammer (5)
  - Corolla leaf (5)
  - Native of Germany? (6)
- DOWN**
- Indonesia, for example (8)
  - Idleless (8)
  - Non-flying birds (4)
  - Its sands are famous (7)
  - It is one (7)
  - Military head out East (6)
  - Not tied up (5)
  - Just the dregs (8)
  - Sort of key found in a cupboard? (8)
  - Like a triangle? (7)
  - One-letter garment, apparently (7)
  - Wine-shop (6)
  - A flower sprang up (5)
  - You'll often find lots in it (4)
- TUESDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 3 Lamb, 7 Hardy, 8 Amen, 9 Shag, 10 Overcoats, 12 Simon, 13 Yarn, 14 Error, 21 Shag, 22 Obed, 23 Kernal, 24 Tans, 25 Arrival, 26 Lash, 31 Sols, 32 Avoid, 33 Cash. Down: 1 Meave, 2 Address, 4 Ash-tree, 5 Baga, 6 Menu, 9 Sear, 11 Steek, 13 Mary, 14 Gory, 16 Dot-ar, 17 Best, 18 Yarn, 20 Believe, 22 Oars, 24 Rmko, 25 224/4, 27 Ages, 28 Stag.

## ARMY SQUADS LOB MORTAR SHELLS TO BREAK UP RESISTANCE

# New Fighting In Tripoli

## Man On Multiple Murder Charges Makes Own Defence

Glasgow, Scotland, May 27. Peter Anthony Manuel, (31) on trial here for eight murders, today finished a six-hour spell of giving evidence in his own defence.

Manuel, New York-born woodworker, dismissed his lawyers some days ago and is conducting his own defence.

In cross examination after he had finished his evidence, he said three senior police officers had engaged in a conspiracy to pin the murders on him. He denied shooting three members of the Smart family, the husband Peter, his wife

Doris and their ten-year-old son, and said he sold Peter Smart a gun and days later found the family shot dead in bed at their home.

He had a key to the house because Smart had asked him to keep an appointment on his behalf there. After finding the bodies he fed the cat, wiped out all his own fingerprints and took the gun out of Smart's hand, which he later threw in the river.

Manuel, who has pleaded not guilty to all charges against him, also denied killing Isabelle Cooke, 17, whose body was found buried in a field.—Reuter.

## THE AUDIENCE THAT WASN'T THERE

Wigan, May 27. Mr John Hodgson, 27-year-old Conservative candidate in the Wigan parliamentary by-election, searched in vain for an audience tonight for his opening speech of the campaign, after speaking in a deserted car park beside Wigan market hall.

There he spoke for ten minutes, but again no one stopped to listen. So he returned to Wigan Conservative headquarters to help organize canvassing.—China Mail Special.

## U.S. CHALLENGE REACTION TO RED ARMY REDUCTIONS

Washington, May 27. The United States today issued a new challenge to Russia to accept a disarmament agreement including inspections to prove that the Soviet armed might actually was being reduced.

The challenge was made by the State Department in commenting on the Soviet Government announcement that it would withdraw Soviet troops from Rumania and Hungary and that the other nations of the Soviet bloc would cut their own military forces.

The State Department Press Officer, Lincoln White, said the Department had not received any official word on the Soviet announcement. But he said the first tentative reaction here to Russia's announcement of withdrawal of Soviet troops from Rumania and Hungary was that it "may prove a favourable development" if it led to more

independence for the two nations.

He said the Communist move "would have important significance in East-West relations" if it were to be accompanied by a general controlled disarmament agreement which involved verifiable reduction in force and arms inside the Soviet Union itself.

Russia announced the troop withdrawals and planned cuts in forces of Communist Warsaw Pact nations last night. It said the decision was approved by the Political Consultative Committee of the Warsaw Pact nations.—U.P.

Beirut, May 27. New fighting broke out today in the port of Tripoli and Army units lobbed mortar shells into the city to break up pockets of resistance.

Opposition leader Rashid Karami said two of his men were killed and 12 were wounded in the fighting, which broke out in Lebanon's second largest city at 0900 hours local time and continued for six hours.

Fighting broke out when Army troops started to rip up barricades leading into the city's fortified old Moslem quarter.

The fighting slackened shortly after 1500 hours but was reported to have resumed after night-fall.

Karami also reported "heavy fighting" in Habba, 12 miles northeast of Tripoli, and said the Army was sending reinforcements to the area.

Karami also echoed declarations by Beirut opposition leader Saeb Salam, who flatly rejected government compromise moves today.

The latest compromise move came when Premier Sami El Solh went on Beirut Radio to assure the country that his government would never attempt to amend the constitution so that pro-Western President Camille Chamoun could stand for a second term.

Chamoun's alleged desire to run again has been one of the main flash points of the crisis. Solh said that his government had never contemplated making any such move and that he had never heard Chamoun said he wanted to run.

But Salam said today that the opposition could not accept the move and added that the issue was still the immediate and unconditional resignation of the President.—U.P.

## Israel Accused

Damascus, May 27. The United Arab Republic today filed a complaint with the United Nations mixed armistice commission accusing Israel of new aggression in Syrian territory.

An army spokesman said Israelis today fired on the Arab village of Saygha in the central demilitarized zone with machine guns and mortars.—Reuter.

## ITALIAN ELECTION RESULTS PRESAGE

# Political Confusion Ahead

Rome, May 27. The following is the distribution of the 596 seats in the chamber of deputies compared with the 1953 results. It gives another eight seats to the ruling Christian Democrats in the Chamber of Deputies.

	1958	1953
Christian Democrats (Including Tyrol Party)	276	265
Communists	140	143
Socialists	84	75
Popular Monarchists	73	—
National Monarchists	10	40
Nco-Fascists	25	29
Social Democrats	23	19
Liberals	16	14
Republicans/Radicals	7	5
Communists	1	—
Union Valdotaio	1	—

The results for the Chamber of Deputies faced Italy with political confusion in the foreseeable future and small prospect of a stable Government.

Observers said the bitterness of the election campaign is likely to make it difficult for the Christian Democrats to draw their former centre allies (Social Democrats, Liberals and Republicans) into a new combination for several months.

Most likely immediate solution was thought to be the establishment of a "business cabinet" to see the nation through the summer and to get the budgets passed before the constitutional time limit in October.

The Communists' gains were thought likely to have important political repercussions. One of these was probably to strengthen the Communist authority over the smaller Socialist Party, which has been cautiously trying to withdraw from Communist domination.

The new parliament will meet on June 12. Seats in the new senate will be distributed as follows, as considered with the old house:

## First Step To Unity With Church Of England

Edinburgh, May 27. The 66 presbyteries of the Church of Scotland are to be asked to comment officially on a proposal that they should appoint bishops as a first step towards unity with the Church of England.

The plan that has aroused a big religious storm in Scotland since it was first proposed a year ago came before the Church of Scotland General Assembly today for debate.

By a 358-328 vote, the assembly agreed to send the report to the presbyteries for their official views and possible alternative proposals.

Campaigners for unity with the Episcopalian Church of England believe it could be achieved if the Church of Scotland appointed bishops and the Church of England in its turn introduced "elders"—the laymen officials who are a backbone of the Presbyterian form of church government.—China Mail Special.

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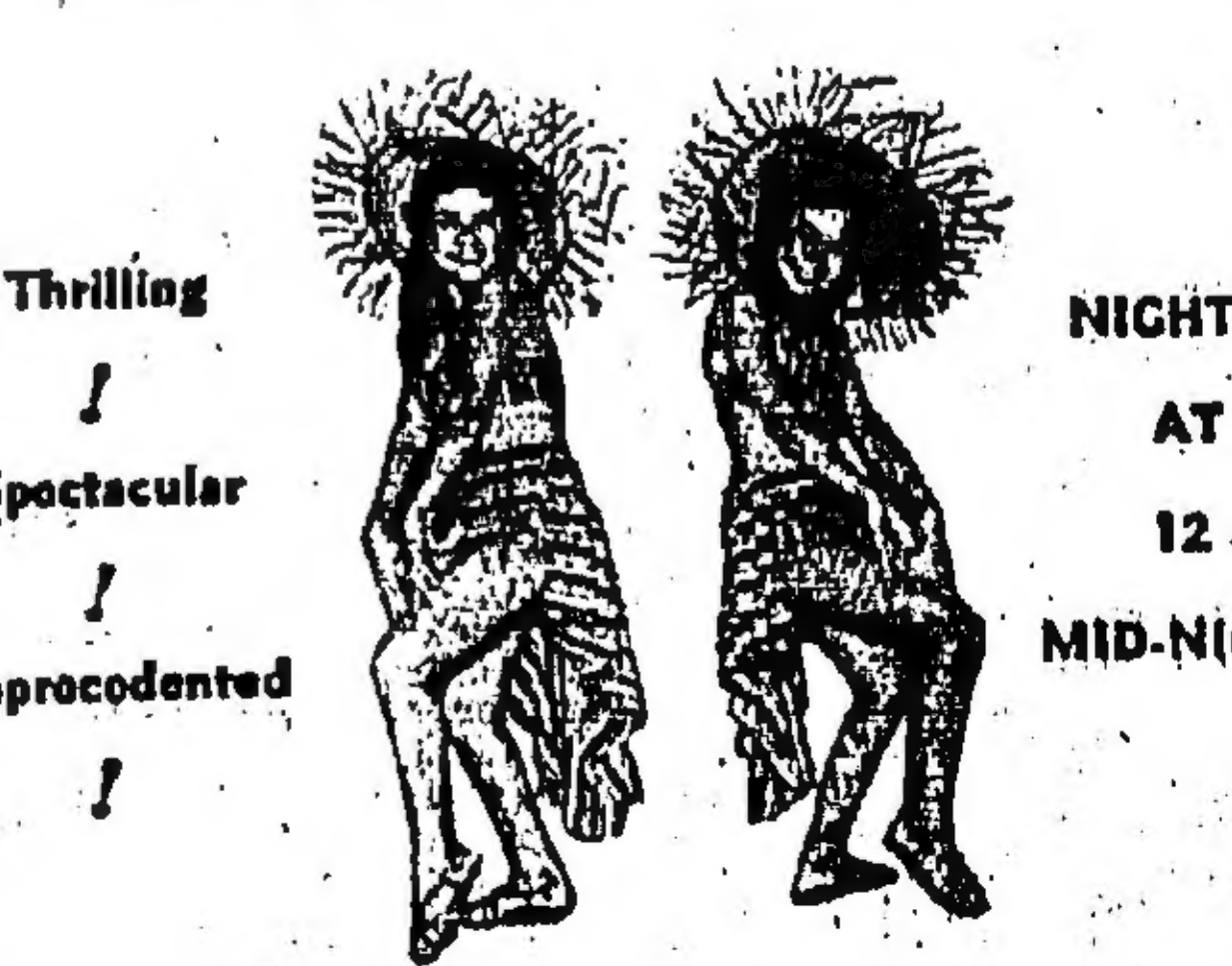
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# "—I Am France!" He Once Declared

IN the fateful summer of 1940, with France broken and submerged under the German flood, an unknown voice crackled over the radios of the world.

The voice recalled the glories of France's past. It called to the future, and declared: "France has lost a battle. She has not lost the war."

Few in 1940 had heard of General Charles de Gaulle. His name recalled no great victory. He was an obscure military personality. But with those eleven words was born the legend which for 18 years has surrounded his name.

Now the Legend has again announced he is ready to take over at France's hour of crisis. After 12 years of virtual self-exile, Charles de Gaulle has re-entered his country's turbulent political arena.

Today, old, blind, General de Gaulle is greatly aged and grey with fatigue. His eyes are bloodshot. He is hardly ever known to laugh.

Since ending himself off from the circus of French politics, he has led a studiously secluded life in his country home on the banks of the Aube, sleeping unobtrusively into Paris once a week to talk there with the last line of a once-great following.

## His Destiny

But de Gaulle can still impart much of his own deep confidence in his destiny and of the inwardly held conviction which underlies his complex character. For many in France he is today a hope and a dream.

De Gaulle has never faltered in his ideal of retrieving France's shaken pride. He believes, and the force of his personality makes others believe, that he has been entrusted with the genius and virtue of his nation.

However much a lone and obstinate idealist, he should never be underrated. For here is a general who almost single-handedly in 1940 to London and there became the leader of the Fighting French.

Here is a man, who, repudiated by his own Government and official superiors, actually condemned to death on the charge of deserting his post, became the hero of France. The ordinary conventions of modesty and reasonableness are consumed in the fire of de Gaulle's faith and fury. But however much he has irritated and perplexed—especially during the war years in Britain—

he has never failed to impress and to overawe. He is not the sort of man with whom one could spend an easy afternoon. His speech is circular. Yet, for all his rigid ways, his potent romanticism gives him charm.

In any case, de Gaulle's place in history is secure—a stiff-necked visionary who, in the twilight of a changing world, envisaged as perhaps France's greatest symbol since Napoleon.

Charles Andre Joseph Marie de Gaulle was born at Lille in 1890, the son of a Professor of Philosophy and French Literature, then a schoolmaster at a Jesuit college.

## Symbols

He grew up in a devout Catholic home imbued with the glory and dignity of France. His parents were both stern traditionalists and it was natural that a certain anxious pride should slip into his nature.

As a young man in Paris, nothing influenced Charles more than the symbols of his country's greatness—Notre Dame, the Arc de Triomphe, Napoleon's Tomb.

"Even as an adolescent," he wrote later, "the fate of France, whether as the subject of history or as the stake in public life, interested me above all."

He was sent, at some financial sacrifice, to St. Cyr, France's great military academy.

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## Grim Struggle

Infantryman de Gaulle fought gallantly in the First World War. He was a captain by 1915 and battled his way through the bloody action at Verdun and was mentioned in dispatches. But in the Battle of Douaumont he was picked up, badly wounded, by the Germans and, despite five attempts at escape, spent the rest of the war behind barbed wire.

In 1920, her shaken prestige climbing back to old heights, France sent a military mission

to Poland, then locked in a grim struggle with the new Russia. In the mission was a tall, reticent major, de Gaulle.

On his return to France, de Gaulle stepped into military teaching and became Professor of Military History, Periodicals, and the like at the Ecole Supérieure de Guerre. In 1925, he again became attached to Petain's H.Q., but now Petain was Commander-in-Chief of the French Army.

When Petain gave way to Weygand in 1927, Major de Gaulle was sent to the Rhine as a battalion commander. In 1931, he was appointed to the Secretariat of the Conseil Supérieur de la Défense Nationale. Two years later, he was made Lieutenant-Colonel.

But de Gaulle was as much a theorist as an infantryman. His lectures and pamphlets had become famous.

Marshal Petain once introduced him to an audience with the words: "Listen to him attentively, for the day will come when France in gratitude will call on him."

De Gaulle was convinced that mobility was the secret of future military success. He wrote a book about it, he addressed it in the Defence Council, he even "lobbied" France's top military men.

All to no avail. The French diehards were not interested. De Gaulle even lost favour for his radicalism.

It seems the only people who did take notice of his theories were the Germans. De Gaulle studied furiously. Two years later, he came out as a second lieutenant under Colonel Philippe Petain, the man whom destiny was to bring close to de Gaulle before their ways parted 30 years later.

From de Gaulle's book could have sprung the seeds of a new military doctrine, still the Maginot Line and turned 5,000,000 under-armed Frenchmen into fleeing disorder.

De Gaulle himself, now a tank commander, led the 5th Motorized Division in 1940, scored a few tactical successes in the brief campaign that settled France's fate for four years.

He was recalled to Paris, now France's youngest general, to assist Paul Reynaud, the new Premier. But when Reynaud was displaced and Petain replaced the armistice, de Gaulle fled to England. He could not recognise defeat.

Churchill, in his account of the event, wrote: "De Gaulle



"Say, Monsieur le Général... I warn you, it takes time for our military guys to learn the know-how."

carried with him, in this small aeroplane, de Gaulle called on all Frenchmen to rally to him. He formed the Free French Movement, made himself president of the French National Committee and Leader of all Free Frenchmen, and set about organising a French Army and Navy in Britain.

The Vichy Government sentenced him to death for "deserting his post."

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## France's Hero

De Gaulle was France's hero on Liberation Day. He returned to Paris amid spectacular scenes of adoration, and at once formed a provisional government, comprising mainly resistance leaders, which declared at the outset that "legally the Republic has never ceased to exist."

But it did not restore the 1875 Republican constitution.

It wasn't long before de Gaulle ran into political trouble. At first he had the help of the Left, mainly because of his personal status as resistance leader.

er, but soon squabbles arose and he alienated the Communists by refusing them a key ministry and denouncing them in a broadcast.

## A Victory

In January, 1946, weary by party squabbles, de Gaulle suddenly announced that the conditions in which he was expected to lead the Government had proved impossible. Just as suddenly he resigned, but came back a year later at the head of a party called "Rally of the French People" (R.F.P.), with its aim to advance and victoriously achieve, over our disensions, the unity of our people in the tasks of renewal and reform of the State."

In 1948, de Gaulle scored a clear-cut victory in the elections for the Council of the Republic, the Upper House. But he had to wait until 1951 before a general election, and in the meantime his party took to justice for the Council of the Republic, the Upper House. But he had to wait until 1951 before a general election, and in the meantime his party took to justice for the Council of the Republic, the Upper House. But he had to wait until 1951 before a general election, and in the meantime his party took to justice for the Council of the Republic, the Upper House.

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## Proud Hermit

Yet hardly a word has he uttered—a proud, inscrutable hermit—who says he will act only on popular initiative. De Gaulle insists he is a republican and democrat above all, but he has declared his preference for an Eisenhower-like presidency, and would also expect to choose his ministers for their value, not for the support of their parties.

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## ARE YOU AN ANGRY WIFE?

... or a husband with a grievance

THE Kiss-and-Make-up approach to saving marriages no longer works, says Suffolk's Chief Probation Officer, Mr. Denis Hodges.

He finds it "too superficial to give lasting results." In this down-to-earth age, he's right. More can be achieved by friendly discussion. The kisses can follow later.

No marriage is perfect. If it were, it would probably be very dull. Try a little soul-searching this week-end in your own home. Some of the answers to my quiz may surprise you unpleasantly, but at least it should clear the air.

### FOR A WIFE

Check the faults here that really irritate you in your husband.

- Does he
1. Spend too much money on himself?
2. Keep his charm and best behaviour for social occasions?
3. Have a roving eye when in your company?
4. Drink or smoke too much?
5. Come home late for meals?
6. Ridicule your friends or family?
7. Register complete indifference to your appearance?
8. Take little interest in the children, but attack you for their behaviour?

### YOUR GRIEVANCE SCORE

If you answer fewer than three Yeses, you haven't much to complain about. Four or five Yeses register lack of consideration and genuine cause for complaint. Six or seven implies gross selfishness. You'll have to mend your ways.

EILEEN ASCROFT

(London Express Service).

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As ANY DIVER knows, you tend to lose all sense of time underwater. Yet accurate and reliable timing is essential for proper decompression when returning to the surface. Lacking this, many divers have endangered their lives and a number of them have been crippled by "the bends."

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## THE BIG CHANGE IN MOSCOW—HOW IT TAKES MY BREATH AWAY....!



'Ivan brought  
his son Tutu,  
who was  
dressed  
American in a  
cowboy suit'

BERNARD JOY, in Moscow  
gives his impressions of the  
vast changes he has found  
in Russian life since he was  
there three years ago.



Moscow, prosperity of the Western zone.

SPRING is late in Moscow this year and the trees are just in bud. But the great thaw has started.

The warmer political climate, since I was here with Arsenal three and a half years ago, has brought changes as striking as going from the drab monotony of the Soviet zone of East Berlin to the gay brash

Such a visit was unthinkable in 1955. We were then either ignored or treated with suspicion. A passer-by carried away with a violent shake of the head if you asked a direction.

## Espressos and neon lights

Now there is friendly greeting in the street. The language barrier has become a joke rather than a cause of alarm. A camera is regarded as part of the tourist's dress and not a means of unearthing secrets.

There are even scores of kids who come to the England team's hotel as soon as school is over at one o'clock to demand their equivalent of "Any gun, chum?"

Some of the dubious benefits of Western civilisation have arrived in Moscow. There are coloured advertisements outside cinemas and jazz bands.

I tried in one restaurant to hear my companions over the noise of 1,000 Parisians on an eight-piece band.

The rhythm was there, even if the swing would be labelled "square" back home.

## Difference in women

But it is the women who show most difference. The hostess on the TU-104 which carried us into Moscow, Eugenia Eidorina, a 22-year-old Moscowite, wore mascara, eyebrow pencil and lipstick. Her dark hair was swept back in tight curls. Even two chambermaids at the hotel wore lipstick.

Dresses are more shapely although I have seen nothing of the "trapeze" or "sack" line, and the colours, although main-

ly brown and grey, are more cheerful. The biggest queue I have seen so far was not for food, but at a salon de beauté in the old-fashioned Metropole Hotel.

A jostling crowd round one of the window displays at the big store, GUM, attracted the England team to see what they were missing. The window shoppers were looking at the latest shoes with silhouettes heels and pointed toes.

The adjoining window had nylon lingerie on show, a display which would have been branded as indecent when Arsenal were here in 1955.

Despite the changes, you still see women wearing jackets, sweeping the streets or laying concrete roads.

## Bureaucratic bungling

There is the same heavy, sickly mud in public buildings, although the plumbing arrangements at my hotel seem to have caught up with our standards.

The bureaucratic bungling is still here, too. It took longer than I thought to get the train to clear the airport formalities than to fly 1,000 miles from Budapest to Moscow.

Drunks are still ignored by the public even if they are lying in the gutter. They are taken to hospital to be cured of their "illnesses"—by a stomach pump and a line of five roubaies.

Prices remain sky-high at the official rate of exchange—a suit costs £180; socks, 30c; men's shoes from £20 to £40; a shirt £25; and the best anyons £22 10s.

So much in Moscow remains the same, but overriding everything is the change of heart of the man in the street.

Why? The big "thaw"? The answer was given to me by Nina

Gomozova, a clerk at the Ukraine Hotel. She is married, has a two-year-old boy, Alocha, and lives with her in-laws in one room.

Soon she will move into a new three-roomed flat and as rents are reasonable—eightpence a month per square metre—she will be able to afford a maid.

## Drive past the flats

Nina told me: "Our living accommodation is becoming better and there are more things to buy in the shops. We are happier and don't feel inferior any more."

I saw some of the new flats going up as we drove in from the airport. Best the huge university building which lies half a mile back from the road. Three years ago there was nothing but a few wooden shacks between the road and the university. Now you drive for four miles past block after block of 10-storey flats.

At last the Russians are seeing the practical results—in the way of consumer goods—of years spent in building the means of production. This has given them self-confidence, and a feeling of independence.

## No waiting for lights

The lights changed to red as I started to cross Red Square on my way to telephone my story. Four years ago a Moscowite waited obediently at the kerb for the lights to change. Today the Ivans and Ninias joy-walked in their dozens.

Where? I wondered, as I dodged Zim cars in this new-found independence taking them?

—(London Express Service).



## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Deep Thought Wins For West

By OSWALD JACOBY

TAKE a look at the bidding and the West and North hands only. Your opening lead of the spade king is taken by dummy's ace and the jack is shot back at you. Of course, you win with the queen but what is your next play?

Your first thought is to lead the ace and another heart in order to stop a potential spade ruff, and most good players would do that very thing.

Harold Ogust of New York who sat West thought a little further and decided that if South

NORTH 10	
♠ A J	
♥ Q 7	
♦ K J 10 6 4	
♣ K J 10 8 4	
EAST	
♠ K Q 10 9 4	♠ 9 7 6 3
♥ A 6	♥ J 8 4
♦ A 9	♦ 8 7 3 2
♣ J 7 5 2	♣ 6 3
SOUTH (D)	
♠ 5 2	
♥ K 10 8 5 3 2	
♦ Q 6	
♣ A K Q	
Both vulnerable	
South West North East	
1♥ 1♠ 2♦ 2♣	Pass
2♥ 2♠ 3♥ 3♠	Pass
3♥ 3♠ 4♥ 4♠	Pass
Opening lead—♠ K	

really wanted a spade ruff he would have ducked the opening lead. So Harold simply led the deuce of clubs and waited to see what would happen.

Now take a look at the South hand. He had been trying to coax a trump lead from Ogust because South had to find the jack of trumps to make his contract.

Now South decided that Harold's failure to lead a trump clearly indicated that he held the jack. Hence, South led the ten of hearts and let it ride. East made his jack and Harold's two red aces set the contract.

## CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	Pass

What do you do?

A—Pass. You have shown all your strength and since tricks are easier to make than 11.

TODAY'S QUESTION

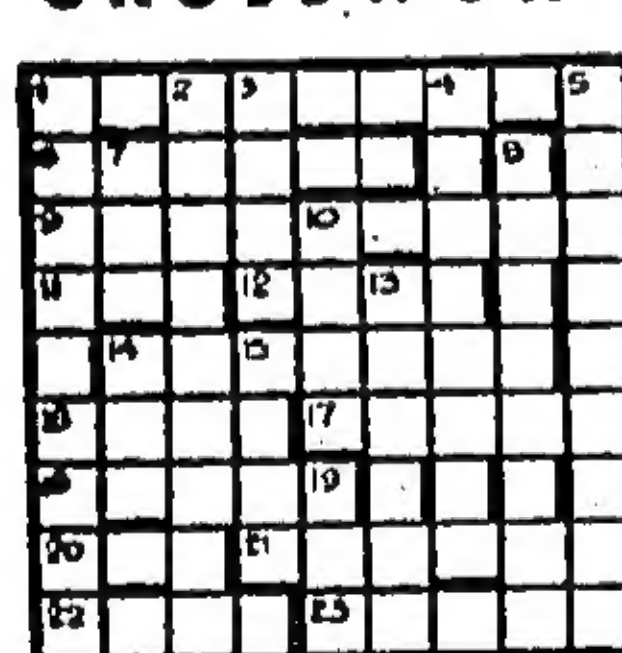
You hold the same hand. The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	Pass

What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

## CROSSWORD

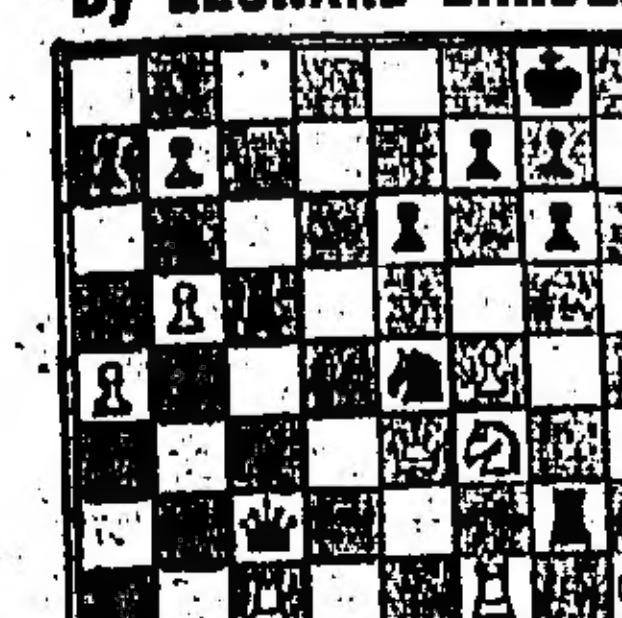


- Across
- The feminine influence. (4)
  - Trickster. (5)
  - Reliance. (4)
  - Money-box. (4)
  - Despatcher. (5)
  - Drunk. (4)
  - Disillusion. (7)
  - Water. (4)
  - Deliver. (4)
  - Number with a blow. (4)
- Down
- Big blow. (4)
  - Confusing. (5)
  - Equipping turn over. (4)
  - Head. (4)
  - Blind. (4)
  - Riders. (4)
  - 3 or 4 sides. (4)
  - Small flat number. (4)
  - Time. (4)
  - From on. (4)
  - Not neta. (4)
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- Answers to yesterday's crossword
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  10. Time. (4) From on. (4)
  11. Not neta. (4) Not neta. (4)

## CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a position from actual play. Black to move and win. (Lond. Express Service)

## This Funny World



"Beside investing, merging, and expanding, does anyone know how we can make a few bucks?"

## Women's World

### KHAKI GIRLS TO MEET

London. Members of the ATS are contemplating holding a reunion to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Service, now a permanent and regular formation, the Women's Royal Army Corps.

Many famous people served with the ATS during the war, including Her Majesty the Queen, then Princess Elizabeth, who wore the khaki uniform as a driver, and Sir Winston Churchill's daughter, Mary, now married to Mr. Christopher Soames, MP, the present Secretary of State for War.

### QUEEN'S GUESTS

London. An actor, a journalist and a legless wartime air ace were among the Queen's guests at one of her "meet the people" dinner parties at Buckingham Palace.

Stage and screen star Alec Guinness, the Honourable Allister Buchanan, of the Observer, and Group Captain Douglas Edder were all accompanied by their wives.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh had as their principal guest another member of the Royal family, Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone.

The other guests, all accompanied by their wives, were: Viscount Knollys, Chairman of the Vickers group; Sir Cecil de Silva, former head of the British delegation to the European Coal and Steel Community; Ali Viceri.

### BURGLAR ALARM

Baltimore. A woman here, convicted of burglary was at least feminine to her fingertips.

To break into a restaurant and a tailor's shop she used her eyebrow wipers, a nail file and a girl-size razor—Express Service.

### SO TIRED

Singapore. The beautiful 27-year-old Che Haimahon Binte Abdul Majid, urging women to stand for Parliament at a meeting in Kuala Lumpur, said:

"Come forward more of you. I'm tired of being the only woman member in Parliament. I'm so tired of being the only rose among 98 thorns."—Express Service.

### MADAME CHIANG

New York, May 27. Mme. Chiang Kai-shek arrived here by air today from the West Coast for a medical check-up and to receive an honorary degree from the University of Michigan next month.

Mme. Chiang said she felt well and would stay with her brother-in-law, Dr. H. H. Kung, at Locust Valley in New York State.—Reuters.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

BORN today, you have an alert, acquisitive mind. You are quick to see a situation, size it up correctly and, then act upon it. What appears to an outsider to be impulsive action is actually your intuition. Learning to accept this gift and acting upon it, despite any outside pressure or influence, will take you a long way on the road to success. You can then get there "happiest with the moosest."

There are several contrasting elements in your nature which may, at times, be in conflict with one another. You are self-confident, sure of yourself and true to your ideals. Yet there are times when you are despondent and moody. You have a strong emotional nature and are fond of the society of the world. There are also times, however, when you prefer to withdraw your ivory towers for thought and meditation. It is a deep, spiritual side to your nature, but it may not operate on strictly conventional levels. You probably will accept past interpretations but will want to make revisions.

The stars have given you a variety of natural talents—too many, perhaps, for your own good. At some period in life you will have to select your area of concentration, if you are to reach outstanding fame. Otherwise you will become a Jack of All Trades but a master of none.

Among those born on this date were: James Thorne, famed athlete; Louis Agassiz, biologist; the Dionne quintuplets; Amelia Bloomer, feminist and reformer; Thomas Moore, Irish poet; Avery Hopwood, dramatist; and Joseph Ignatius Gillett, physician.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, MAY 29

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—A day when a calculated risk may bring a high success potential. Be sure to act upon a new opportunity.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—You can make substantial gains by co-operating in a newly-formed partnership. Inaugurate a business enterprise.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Concentrate on outwitting a financially attractive business deal. Then evening comes. Join a social group for recreation.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Concentrate on important career matters, keeping a careful eye on financial detail. Guard your health.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—The fortunate aspects of Jupiter influence your nature. The success potential is exceptionally high.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Your personal affairs are an excellent aspect. Project your personality where it will do the most good.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—You will find that co-operation in the keynote of success today. There is also romance in the air.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 23)—Use good judgment in making decisions today. Plans will only make waste, so take your time in deciding.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 24-Feb. 19)—In acting extreme also, you actually may be helping yourself. The success potential for you is high.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Join a group with another objective.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—In pressing toward a schedule of security for the future, make new friends and fresh contacts.

MAY 28 (May 28)—In some social function and improve your professional status.

MAY 29 (May 29)—If planning to travel, make all necessary arrangements well ahead of time. This is a good day for doing it too.

MAY 30 (May 30)—In pressing toward a schedule of security for the future, make new friends and fresh contacts.

MAY 31 (May 31)—In some social function and improve your professional status.

# WOMANSENSE

## Lady Edith's Mimi cooks for hungry debs' escorts

LADY EDITH FOXWELL, tall, fair, and an unmistakable English beauty, is the wife of film producer Major Ivan Foxwell. They have two fair-haired daughters, Zita, a 1958 debutante, and two-year-old Atlanta.

Lady Edith, one of London's busiest hostesses, entertains during the week at the Foxwells' elegant new house in Chester Square and week-ends at their country house in Wiltshire.

She likes dinner parties and her guests are likely to be a mixed bag—film stars, producers, socialites, writers, MPs.

### Lively mixture

"I believe in mixing people up," she said. "It's usually livelier." But just at the moment Lady Edith is de-

THEY'RE SWEET PEOPLE, BUT THEY DO EAT A LOT . . .

Lady Edith Foxwell plans a meal with her cook, Mrs. Mimi Slavinski.



## I DINE WITH LONDON'S TOP HOSTESSES ... NO. 3

By HELEN BURKE

### Not too much

Lady Edith said: "Mimi does the most wonderful chicken dishes and cream sauces and when she serves one of them, as she did the other evening, we invariably start with something very simple, like melon, grapefruit or a cheese soufflé."

### round pedestal table in the centre of the room.

Lady Edith's table was set for four and looked cozy and I was not at all surprised when she told me that at a dinner party last week for her daughter Zita ten people were seated comfortably.

Yes, here was a "treasure"—a German woman, wife of a Pole, who has been living in this country for some years and liking it very much.

We were in Lady Edith's beautiful drawing-room. Everything in the new house was spick and span. New ruby carpet in the dining-room; panelled walls of wenge wood green; a

### For a large party, you want a large one, maybe two. I wrap the chicken in double greaseproof paper, stand it in the upper part of a steamer and steam it very gently for two hours. If it is a young boiler, longer, if older.

"I remove the skin and take the meat from the main bones, cutting it in slices from the breast and top legs, but I leave the bones in the wings. I place the meat in a dish, cover it with buttered greaseproof paper and stand it in a pan of hot water in a low oven. The chicken must not become cold at any time when this dish is being prepared and it must not get too hot either."

"Now I make a fairly thick sauce by cooking 4oz. flour in 4oz. butter, without any colour, and adding chicken stock. In another pan, I have cooked very gently in butter a chopped onion and 1lb. tomatoes. When all is soft, I rub it through a

fine sieve and stir it into the sauce. Also, I cook in butter, always very gently, 1/2lb. thinly sliced white mushrooms for a minute."

"Seasoning?" "Pepper and salt to my taste. Then I add to the sauce a pint of single cream and two egg yolks beaten with a little of it. I cook a very little to heat through. Then I place a layer of chicken in a shallow serving dish, then a layer of the mushrooms and some of the sauce, then more chicken and mushrooms and the rest of the sauce, which must be creamy pink."

"What do you serve with the chicken?" I asked. "Very small new potatoes or plain boiled rice—and it must be plain, because it keeps whole and does not go mushy."

Lady Edith described the salad: cucumber, chervil, tomatoes and hard-boiled eggs with a French dressing made of one part lemon juice and four parts very good olive oil. "That does not interfere with the wine. We had Montrachet with that chicken and they went beautifully together. My husband always chooses the wine."

### The menu

To Mimi, Lady Edith said: "Do give that wonderful chicken dish we had the other evening."

"We call this casserole chicken with creamy pink sauce."

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### How Pixie Caught Cold

—He Tried To Help Fat Foolish Bullfrog—

By MAX TRELL

KNAUF and Hanid, the Shadows with the Turned-About Names, ran as fast as they could to the Old Oak where the Pixies lived, for they had heard that Pixie O'Scowl had caught a chill.

Sure enough, they found Pixie O'Scowl sitting all wrapped up in a heavy overcoat with his feet in a pair of hot water bottles and his nose blowing.

"Oh, you poor, dear, Pixie O'Scowl," said Hanid. "Ah—chool!" said Pixie O'Scowl. "Go away!"

"Don't Be Grouchy. Now, now, don't be so grouchy," said Knauf. "We've just come to find out how you feel."

"I feel awful," replied O'Scowl. Hanid busied herself buttoning up Pixie O'Scowl's overcoat and putting a big blanket over the top of his head.

"Now, how did you ever catch such a cold?" she asked the sneezing Pixie.

At first Pixie O'Scowl refused to do any talking. But finally he muttered: "It all happened because I was so sorry for that Big Fat Foolish Bullfrog!"

Had A Busy Day

"What happened was this," he went on. "All day yesterday, beginning right after breakfast, I didn't get a bit of rest. I was so busy that I had to mend it. Then a Potato Bug came to me with a toothache and I had to give him some toothache pills."

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### TEARS IT DOWN

"The minute we build a hive, someone comes along and tears it down," they said. So I had to go out and show them."

Then a mouse came along and said his whiskers were too long and would I trim them. Busy, busy, busy, all day long. And at last it was night and I started taking my clothes off and getting ready to creep into bed. And at that moment—

Again Pixie O'Scowl was interrupted by a fit of sneezing. "And at that moment," he went on, "there came a knock on my door. Who should it be but that Fat Old Foolish Bullfrog who lives down at the edge of the pond."

"Now what do you want?" I asked. "He told me he had a sore throat and couldn't sing. He said that was an awful thing to happen to him because his sweetheart, a Lady Frog, was expecting to hear him sing and had promised to marry him if he sang better than all the other Bullfrogs in the pond!"

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## Children's SUMMER WEAR



JANTZEN SHORTS for girls, tailored style with turn back cuff, smart new season's colours.



TEE SHIRTS for children in attractive spot, boat and Mexican designs on yellow, blue, white or turquoise grounds, all sizes.

BOYS' SAILCLOTH SHORTS, very strong and hard wearing, available in white, blue, beige or navy, all sizes.



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BOYS AND GIRLS TEE SHIRTS in plain colours of blue, green or beige.







## County Cricket SURREY MAINTAIN LEAD WITH FOURTH STRAIGHT VICTORY

London, May 27. Surrey gained their fourth successive win this season to maintain the hot pace they are setting in the County Championship. Their victory over Nottinghamshire today by an innings and 43 runs at Trent Bridge, earned them 14 more points, to bring their tally this year to 56 — the possible maximum.

Surrey declared with their overnight lead of 140 and the early Nottinghamshire batsmen defended stoutly against the varied attack of the Surrey bowlers. They had no chance, however, when four batsmen in the middle of the innings succumbed while eight runs were added. Fast bowler Arthur Jopson, with a hard hit 42, was top scorer and Eric Bedford (three for 23) had the best Surrey bowling figures.

Middlesex, who beat Sussex by eight wickets, are second in the table with 44 points.

### A Century

Colin Ingleby Mackenzie, the left-handed Hampshire skipper, reached a century in 98 minutes — the fastest of the season so far — against Kent, finishing with 107, which included three sixes and 15 fours. He added 207 for the second wicket with West Indian Roy Marshall, who made 131 in three and a half hours. His strokes included a six and 18 fours. Hampshire won by five wickets after being set 305 to win 270 minutes.

Essex lost five wickets for 24 but beat Worcestershire at Romford. Paceman Derek Pears took four for nine at the start.

### SURREY TENNIS

#### Althea Gibson Enters Second Round Easily

Surliton, May 27. American Negro tennis star, Althea Gibson, Wimbledon Champion, beat Britain's Mrs G. Preston easily by 6-2, 6-1 in the second round today of the Surrey Lawn Tennis Championships.

Miss Gibson, who is also the Surrey Champion, was defending her title as a warm-up for the Wimbledon competition next month. It was her first play on grass since she won the American title eight months ago.

In the men's singles, Cuba's R. Giraldo beat American W. Van Voorhees 6-3, 9-7 in the first round and India's A. Ali beat another American, C. Grant 6-4, 6-4 in the second round.

In another second round match, Britain's R. Bonnet beat India's M. Apparao 6-4, 6-1. America's Mimi Arnold eliminated Britain's Miss P. Hird 6-3, 7-5, in the second round of the women's singles and Britain's Miss J. Rock beat Ceylon's Miss R. Jayasuriya 6-3, 6-2. —France-Press.

## A More Uniform Standard Of Refereeing Title Fights

Luxembourg. The European Boxing Union has decided that to ensure a more uniform standard, European title fights will be refereed in future only by a referee from the federation of the country in which the match takes place.

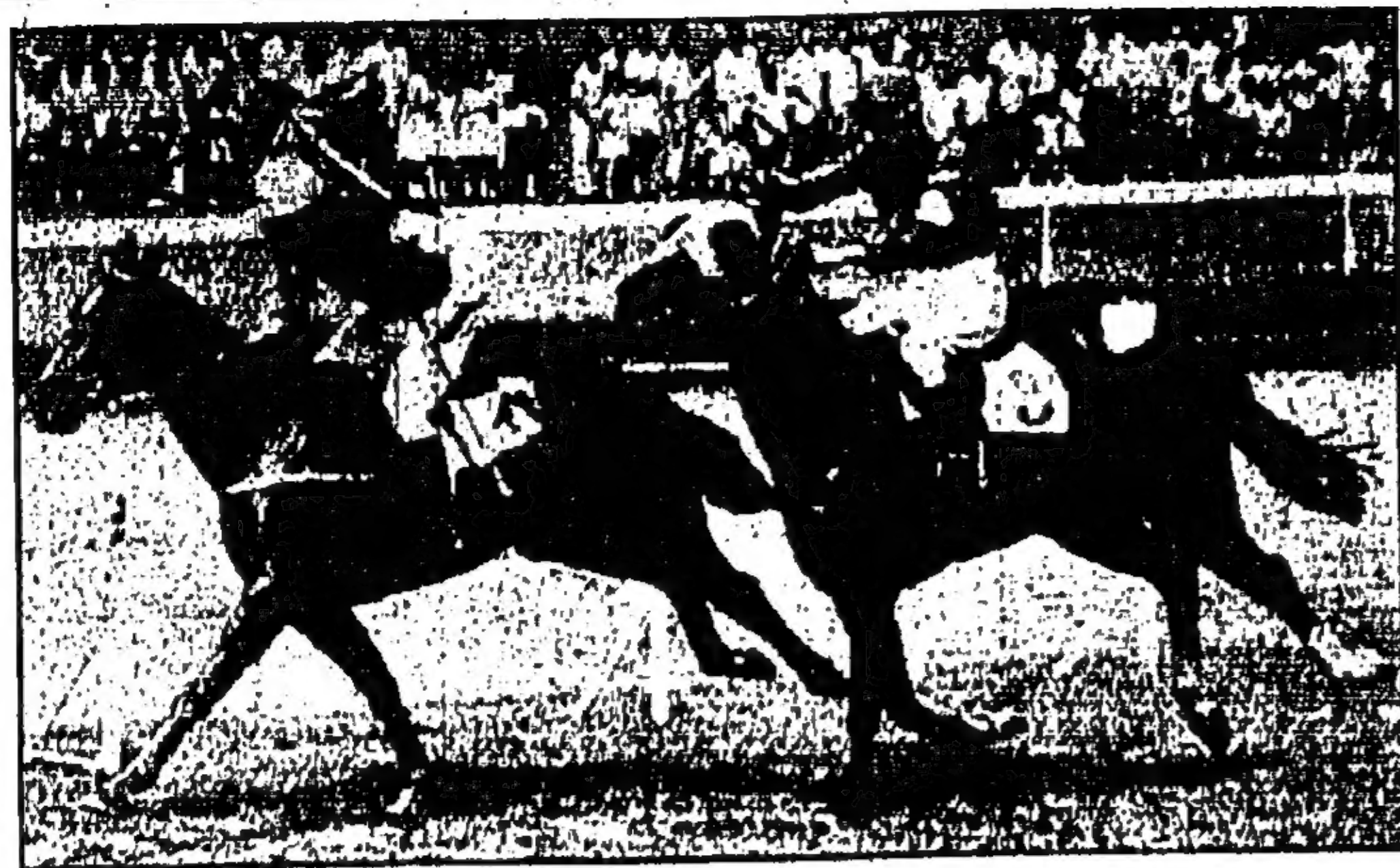
He will be chosen from the panel of international referees recognised by the European Boxing Union.

This decision was announced here at the end of the meeting of the union under the presidency of Mr J. Onslow, French Chairman of the British Boxing Board of Control.

The union also announced that the dispute between the British and Italian boxing federations over the postponement of Scotland's Peter Kenner's European title fight with Mario d'Agata of Italy from May 16 to June 14, would be settled privately between the two federations.

The union recognised Emilio Marconi, of Italy, as the number one challenger to the European welterweight title vacated by Peter Warrman of Britain. A competition has been started to find a challenger for Marconi. —China Mail Special.

# DRAMATIC NINE-WICKET WIN BY KIWIS Beat Glamorgan After A Spectacular Late Stage Recovery



Race No. 4 (Mataukok Handicap) in the first day's Whitsun Race Meeting at Happy Valley on Saturday was won by Gambetta with P. Plumby up. The winner paid \$6.70 for a win.

Photo shows Gambetta (No. 4) fighting it out at the finish with How Do I Know (No. 5) ridden by H. K. Chung. —China Mail Photo.

## GOLD MEDALLIST AT 63?

By CHARLES STEPHEN

A man who celebrates his 63rd birthday on July 18, opening day of the VIII British Empire Games, may become the oldest gold medal winner at Cardiff.

He is Percy Baker, four times singles winner of the English Bowls Championships, who has been chosen in preference to the current champion, N. King, to represent England in the singles at Cardiff.

Experts in England believe Baker has an excellent chance of beating the best bowlers from all parts of the Commonwealth. His meeting with Australia's Glyn de Villiers Bosisto is at London Express.

ready being heralded as "the match of the century". Bosisto, a 58-year-old retired bank manager, first captured the Australian singles championship in 1949-50 and set up a record by retaining the title for three seasons.

### SOAKED GREENS

The Australians have been practising on specially soaked greens, because they anticipate that surfaces will be slower than their normal ones at home.

I also gather that an Australian bowls manufacturer was sent on a "spying" expedition to England last year, noting on a stop-watch how long it took woods to traverse the greens. —London Express.

## Sports Diary

### TODAY

Tennis: "C" Division: KTCCA v. CCC (1) v. CCC (2), CCC (1) v. CCC (2), CCC (1) v. CCC (2), CCC (1) v. CCC (2). Mixed "A" Division: USRC v. CCC, Urban C v. Recreio.

Chinese Football Association Meeting, Sports Road, 9.30 p.m.

### TOMORROW

Meeting: Hongkong Football Association Management Committee Meeting, Sports Road, 9.30 p.m.

### Tennis

Men's "D" Division: HKCCSA (2) v. CCC, Stanley v. LHC, PHCC v. CCC (2), CCC (3) v. CCC (1), KCC v. HKCCSA (1), USRC v. PHCC. Mixed "A" Division: CCC v. KCC, HKCC v. SAA.

Cardiff, May 27. The New Zealanders surged to a dramatic nine-wicket win over Glamorgan in the closing stages of the final day of their cricket match here today.

A definite result never seemed likely until the last two and half hours, when a game which had seemed doomed to a draw by the New Zealanders' earlier uninspired batting suddenly flared into thrilling life.

The tourists, who had earlier taken their first innings score to 215 in reply to Glamorgan's 175, whipped out Glamorgan for a second innings total of 69 leaving themselves to score 30 runs for victory in as many minutes.

They did it with five minutes to spare for the loss of Noel Harford.

Fast bowler Harry Cave and Tony McGibbon gave New Zealand their victory chance. Cave, bowling with inspired fire, took the first four wickets without conceding a run in an eight-over spell. He finished with four for 18. McGibbon took four for 23.

John Darcy was the tourists' highest scorer today. He hit 89

— his best ever display — in just under five hours, including 12 fours. Jim Pressader, the County's left-arm spinner, also gave his best display — six for 77.

### Stolid Efforts

Darcy held the New Zealand first innings together, but he rarely looked as though his aim was a New Zealand victory. He remained at 40 for 35 minutes, but at lunch, thanks mainly to his stolid efforts, the tourists had drawn level with the Glamorgan score for the loss of only three wickets.

Then after the interval, the touring team unexpectedly collapsed, losing their last

seven wickets in adding 40 runs. Paradoxically, it was only this collapse which gave the New Zealanders their chance to match victory, but the manner in which they grasped it more than amended for their earlier unexciting play and gave them a fine morale-boosting win.

Harford's wicket fell when the scores were level. John Held came out to crash the winning hit — a 200-off the first ball he received. Trevor Meale was unbeaten with 15.

The New Zealanders earned their win in two days, as the first day of the match, Saturday, was completely washed out by rain. —Reuter.

# International Federation Bans Built-Up Shoes For Athletics

London, May 27.

The built-up shoe which has been used increasingly in recent years by high-jumpers has been banned by the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

A statement issued by the British Amateur Athletic Board today read "Competitors are not permitted to wear shoes which incorporate any spring or device of any kind or of which the sole, including grooves or ridges, has a total thickness exceeding half an inch.

"The thickness of the heel must not exceed that of the sole by more than a quarter of an inch, except in walking events where shoes may be worn of which the thickness of the heel exceeds that of the sole by not more than half an inch.

one or both feet. The purpose of shoes for competition is to give protection and stability to the feet and a firm grip of the ground. Such shoes, however, must not be constructed so as to give the competitor additional assistance."

### A Surprise

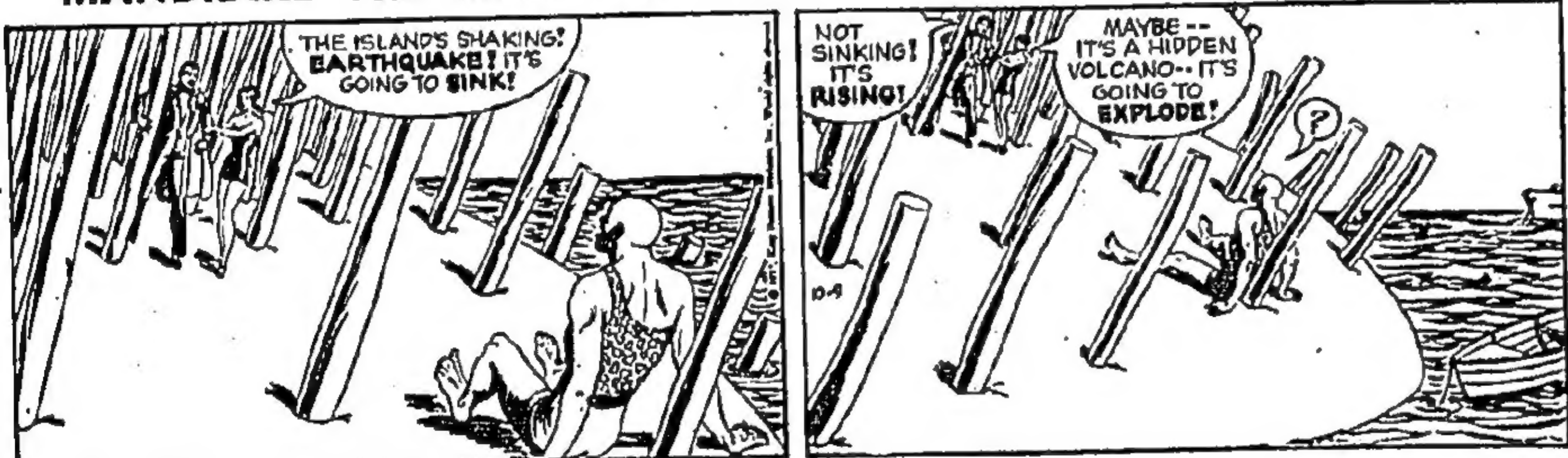
Mr Jack Crump, Secretary of the British Amateur Board, commenting on the decision said: "It is a surprise in view of the fact that the International Federation Congress is to meet soon in Stockholm.

"The problem has never really been an urgent one since the use of the built-up shoe has been in existence for some years and the rules provide that in any proposed alteration of the rules they should be submitted to Congress before they operate.

"This has not been done in this case but so far as international competition is concerned we will abide by the Federation's decision." —Reuter.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



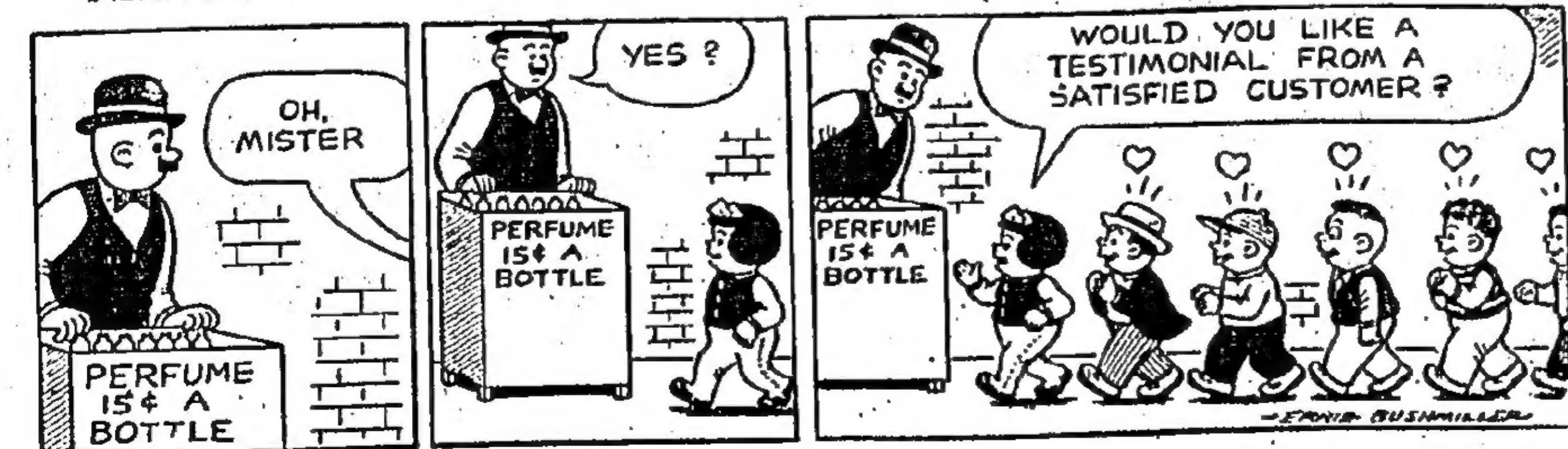
## FERD'NAND

By Mik



## NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins











## FIRST MERSEY ALL DIESEL TUG

THE first all-diesel tug to operate on the Mersey has completed her trials, and her performance has, state the owners, North West Tugs Ltd., managed by Liverpool Screw Towing and Lightage Co. Ltd., completely confounded the critics who asserted that diesel tugs were unsuited to conditions on the Mersey.

The new tug *Heath Cocks*, was built by Cammell Laird and Co. (Shipbuilders and Engineers) Ltd., Birkenhead, and engineered throughout by Ruston-Proctor.

Next month, she will be joined by a sister vessel, *West Cocks*, also built by Cammell Laird and having an identical Ruston diesel installation.

*Heath Cocks* has an overall length of 101 ft. This Ruston main propulsion engine is a 6-cylinder pressure-charged diesel developing 1,088 h.p. at the crankshaft coupling, when running at a speed of 375 r.p.m. It drives a single screw through a wheel drive oil - operated reverse - reduction gearbox, having a reduction ratio of 3:1.

**REMOTE CONTROL**  
The propelling machinery is directly controlled from the bridge through Ruston-Chadburn mechanical remote control equipment.

Two Ruston 30 h.p. generating sets provide main auxiliary power for lighting, deck machinery, fans, heating and cooking, each set comprising a diesel engine developing 53 b.h.p. at 850 r.p.m. driven coupled on a combination pump-drive to a Mawdsley generator.

A further auxiliary is a Ruston generator/compressor set comprising a diesel engine developing 10 b.h.p. at 1,800 r.p.m. direct coupled on a combination pump-drive to a 10 k.w. 220 volt d.c. Mawdsley generator. A Hamworthy air compressor is driven through a hand-operated friction clutch from the free end of the generator.

Hydraulic deck machinery and steering gear by Vickers-Armstrongs (Engineers) Ltd., Walsley, is installed.

During her trials *Heath Cocks* attained a pull on the bollard of 18 tons.

## Reinforced Plastics Cabin Cruiser

THE new "Danilla" class cabin cruiser recently manufactured by John I. Thornycroft and Co. Ltd., London, S.W.1, has been chosen as a special exhibit for the Brussels Exhibition. It will be shown on a specially constructed lake near the British Pavilion.

The hull of this craft is 28 ft. 6 ins. long and is manufactured with Colloidal polyester resins and glass fibre using the hand lay-up technique. The hull is claimed to be exceptionally strong and durable, and will not rust or rot. It provides an excellent example of the trim lines obtainable with reinforced plastics.

The cabins and deck seating are upholstered throughout with "Liondale" leatherette made with Geon PVC. This material is said to be hard wearing, was her resistant and unaffected by salt water and oil. Grease stains or any other dirty marks can be removed easily.

The craft has comfortable cushioning, telescopic chairs for four people and the layout can be rearranged to suit individual requirements. Optional items include the provision of twin engines and the installation of a steering shifter.

The collobond polyester resins are manufactured by British Resin Products Limited, Devonshire House, Piccadilly, London, W.1.

## MOTOR-DRIVEN OIL TANKER LAUNCHED

A NEW motor-driven oil tanker, *Vestforn*, has been launched by Harland and Wolff Limited from their Belfast Shipyard. The 19,700 tons deadweight tanker is being built for Interossantkaput Vestforn (Sigval Bergesen) of Stavanger, Norway.

Harland and Wolff Limited also have an order for this Norwegian group a large turbine-driven oil tanker of about 42,000 tons deadweight, and a motor-driven bulk carrier of about 17,700 tons deadweight, both to be built at Belfast, together with a further vessel to be built at their Govan Shipyard.

The *Vestforn*, a single screw motor-driven vessel, is about 300 ft long, and 71 ft 6 ins moulded breadth.

**MACHINERY**  
The propelling machinery and all accommodation are arranged at the after end, with a fore and aft gangway running the full length of the vessel between poop and Forecastle Decks.

The hull is divided into 27 cargo oil-carrying compartments, with two main cargo pump rooms, forehold pump room, two cofferdams, a gas-tight cargo hold forward and under this space, a deep tank for oil fuel or water-ballast.

Oil fuel is also carried in deep tanks forward of the motor room and in double bottom tanks under the motor room. The vessel has a raked stem, cruiser stern, a fore mast with crow's nest and a combined radar and signal mast at the aft end. The poop from the bow is raked to give a streamlined appearance.

## Boat Builders Switch To Trawler In Scotland

FOUR small Scottish shipyards in the north-east of Scotland have successfully invaded the market.

Among them they have orders either completed or on hand for eight trawlers and three great life fishing vessels. It is estimated that the value of these orders are in the region of £700,000. These yards, which were established at Peterhead, Bunker and Sandhaven, near Fraserburgh, had no previous experience in trawler building but have generations of boat building craftsmanship behind them.

Their experts have mastered new techniques required for the building of trawlers. Between them the three firms provide work for more than 300 men and they have much work in hand as it is estimated that Aberdeen will require at least 100 trawlers in the next ten years.

One development has taken place at the Sandhaven yard where the firm of J. & C. Forbes and Co. have been showing that a trawler can be built with timber at considerably less than the price of steel with no loss in fishing performance. Following their first vessel, a second one has been ordered. The trawlers have a double oak frame with larch and oak skin.

## COLLAPSIBLE CRATES

THE British ship *Lynton* has sailed from Dagenham Dock, England, this week, and the firm of Samuel Williams & Sons Limited filed her holds with 710 cars of various makes including products of Austin, Ford, Nuffield, Rovers, Standard and Vauxhall, bound for the U.S.A.

A few months ago the vessel's maximum load would have been about 300 cars, the extra 410 were squeezed in by utilising the new technique of packing them in collapsible and returnable crates. This method was devised by a British firm of packing specialists in consultation with British motor manufacturers.

The special crates used on the *Lynton* permit stacked loads to be loaded in up to four tiers, instead of the normal single layer. Packing at the car factory is dispensed with and four men can pack a car into its crate at the ship's side in about ten minutes. On arrival at their destination the crates can be quickly unpacked, collapsed and re-stowed for return to Britain.

# STERLING SITS COMFORTABLE

## Bank Rate Cut Was Only A Technical Move

London, May 27.  
Underlying fears remain that the American economy may become too weak and the German D-Mark too strong, but sterling sits comfortably in the middle and the yen, which has also become comfortable, may become even more so now that the Japanese elections are out of the way.

Gold shares had their most active sessions in several years, on very premature talk of a possible higher gold price (which would mean devaluation of the dollar) and on the much more real actuality of a plethora of money in the United States, which has to find outlets somewhere.

As the British railwaymen managed not to have the strike which they so obviously did not want, the Bank Rate got its technically overdue cut on Thursday, May 22.

**Be Regarded**  
A 5½ per cent Bank Rate in London can hardly be regarded as an extreme cut at a time when New York's is 1½ per cent and when the market rate for New York Treasury bills is below 0.75 per cent.

The London cut is propounded and accepted as merely a

## Bank Of England Is Like A Good 'Wife' To The Govt

London, May 27.  
The Bank of England, like a good wife, offered her advice freely to the Government and had been known to nag if the advice was not accepted, said the Governor, Mr. Cameron F. Cobbold, in a TV interview.

He was told by Robin Day on the I.T.N. "The People" programme, "I've heard it said that the Bank of England is roughly in the position of a wife who has promised to obey but manages to get her own hand."

Mr. Cobbold replied: "Far from that, the Bank of England is a very dutiful wife. We offer our advice very freely, as a good wife should, and on occasion, I think, we've been known to nag if our advice has not been accepted."

**SERIOUSLY**  
"But, more seriously, in the last resort, we argue things out. If we have a difference of view with the Government about monetary policy, we usually are able to reach agreement and in my experience, the relationship works, in fact, extremely happily."

"But we recognise that in the last resort the Government of the day must have the final word on economic and monetary policy."

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technical adjustment to a more strategic and comfortable level in relation to world money markets and not as an anti-depression measure or "green light" for economic relaxation.

Since the cut to six per cent on March 20, there has been a reasonably good gilt-edged market and a very satisfactory foreign exchange market. The official disclosure that the exchange reserves continued to gain ground steadily "during the past two months" carries on the satisfactory showing beyond the last published figures of April 30.

This month (May), despite temporary wobbles from various strike threats and other uncertainties, sterling has held well up towards its ceiling.

**Official Word**  
The further official word is that while the cut in the Bank Rate was technically justifiable some time ago, it has again been felt wise to proceed slowly and cautiously.

The wording obviously embraces the moderate size of the Bank Rate cuts as well as their delayed timing. A 5½ per cent Bank Rate is still regarded as high.

Only a year ago the Governor of the Bank of England was describing it as a crisis rate, and at that time the New York and German bank rates were much higher than now.

Naturally, there is no word as to whether any further cuts may be coming, but it is far from taken for granted that the seasonal factors in the autumn will put any such pressure on sterling as to require a higher Bank Rate.

In some recent years, notably 1953 and 1954, sterling was quite strong in the autumn. Suggestions that pressure on the pound on sterling are regarded as extremely flimsy. It did so last August, but conditions then were entirely different. — China Mail Special.

## COMMODITY PRICES

### COTTON

**NEW YORK**  
Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows: July: 36.27; Oct: 36.68; Dec: 36.80; Mar: 36.90; May: 37.00; July: 37.20; Oct: 37.42.

### NEW ORLEANS

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows: July: 36.15; Oct: 36.64; Dec: 36.76; Mar: 36.85; May: 37.00; July: 37.20; Oct: 37.42.

### LIVERPOOL

Cotton future closings, in pence per lb. were as follows: May/June: 24.85; July/Aug: 25.22; Oct/Nov: 25.50; Dec/Jan: 25.85; Mar/Apr: 26.15; May/June: 26.52.

May/June: 26.50; July/Aug: 26.84; Oct/Nov: 27.24; Dec/Jan: 27.54; Mar/Apr: 27.84; May/June: 28.14.

Sao Paulo prices were unavailable.

In the United States, the average price of one-inch cotton at 14 designated spot markets was 34.76 cents.

Total sales were 15,387 bales. — United Press International.

### RUBBER

**NEW YORK**  
Raw rubber futures today closed 10 to 18 points higher with sales of 45 contracts.

Closing prices: July: 29.50; Oct: 29.50; Dec: 29.50; Mar: 29.50; May: 29.50.

Open interest: 7,500 contracts.

**AMSTERDAM**  
The rubber was quiet. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, cif June as follows:

July: 3.67; Sept: 3.65; Oct: 3.61; Mar: 3.49; May: 3.46; July: 3.43; Spot (terms) per lb. for Cuba: 3.00.

Open interest: 7,500 contracts.

**Contract No. 6 (Domestic)**  
July: 3.10; Sept: 3.01; Nov: 2.91; Mar: 2.80; Spot (terms) per lb. for U.S.A.: 2.71.

Open interest: 2,115 contracts.

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## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$370,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

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# CHINA MAIL

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 1958.

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## ALLEGED MURDER IN OPIUM DEN

An alleged hammer attack upon a customer in an opium divan by a watchman of the premises in the early hours of February 27 last was related during the course of a murder trial in the Criminal Session this morning.

The Crown alleged that the accused man, Chan Yung, 40, a frequent visitor to the divan, as he lay in a bunk at an address in Lung Chun Road, near Kowloon City.

It is further alleged that the body of the deceased, with over 60 wounds on the head, face and arms, was found lying outside a public lavatory in Sai Tau Village by two sanitary workers.

The trial is before the District Judge, Mr. Justice A.D. Scholes, and a jury of four men and three women.

Conducting the case for the Prosecution is Mr. D. Ren, Crown Counsel, assisted by DDI F. Judge-Buckingham.

The accused is defended by Mr. Terence Shuplock, instructed by Messrs. Lau, Chan and Ko.

### Body Found

Mr. Ren told the jury that on the morning of February 27 two sanitary workers came across the body of the deceased lying outside a public lavatory in Sai Tau Village. Crown Counsel alleged that the man was killed in an opium divan in Lung Chun Road and then dragged to the side of the lavatory.

The murder of the divan, Tang Shui employed the accused as a watchman, and another employee, Lo Chik, attended to the needs of the customers.

Crown Counsel said that Lo Chik would say that the deceased was a frequent visitor. On the night of February 26, about 11 p.m., Lo Chik started work at the divan. The accused was performing his duties as watchman.

About midnight the deceased arrived, gave an order to Lo and went to a lower bunk in the divan, which was his normal practice.

Accused finished work about this time and evidence would show that he himself lay down on a bunk in the divan. There were a number of other customers present at that time.

### Unable To Sleep

The witness Lo would say that about 4.30 a.m. he saw accused leave his bunk and go to the verandah where he remained for about half an hour.

The accused was heard to remark that he was unable to sleep and then went into the rear portion of the premises, returning with a "cloth object" in his left hand and another "object" in his right hand.

Mr. Ren said that Lo then saw accused go up to the bunk on which deceased was lying, place the "cloth object" over the head of the deceased and proceed to beat him over the head vigorously many times with the object in his right hand.

An alarm was raised and a man, Chow Yu, who was sharing the same bunk with the deceased jumped up and pushed aside his blanket.

### Another Attack

The blanket was allegedly used by the accused who put it over deceased's head and began to attack him again.

Several of the customers nearby saw the attack and they would say that the object in accused's right hand was a hammer similar to one which Crown Counsel held before the jury, with a blunt and pointed edge.

One of the men who saw the attack asked deceased why he did it and accused said, "No matter of yours, it is entirely mine."

After the attack all the customers left, but Lo remained behind. He would say that he saw accused roll up deceased in a mat taken from a bunk and then tied him up with a rope. The accused then dragged the body out of the room.

### Clean-Up

About 10 minutes or so afterwards accused returned to the divan and proceeded to clean up the bunk on which deceased was lying, "to clear away bloodstains."

Accused was later arrested in his home in an unnumbered hut. In a statement allegedly made to the Police accused said: "I fought with him and struck him to death with an iron hammer. I personally tied him up and put him down on the side of the lavatory."

Accused showed police a case in which a wristwatch was found. He was alleged to have

said that he had taken the watch from the deceased's arm. A hammer was later found by the Police in the divan.

Subsequently the body of the deceased was examined by the forensic pathologist who would say that he found no less than 27 wounds on the scalp, 21 on the face and 12 on the upper arms.

### 'No Doubt'

Mr. Ren told the jury that from that evidence the jury could have no doubt at all that the accused intended to kill the deceased; certainly he intended to cause him grievous bodily harm. In either case a death resulted accused would be guilty of murder, he said.

Hearing is continuing.

## Evangelist Once Wrote For Film Stars

Evangelist Harold Herman, one-time Hollywood news writer and a former US major on General MacArthur's staff in Japan, arrived from Taipei this morning for a week's stay in the Colony.

Mr. Herman attended the convention of the Assembly of God in Tokyo before he went to Taipei.

This is the third time, he is going around the world, he said. Mr. Herman said he had been preaching the gospel for the last ten years. Before that he had been waiting for a number of well-known Hollywood movie stars, such as Rita Hayworth, Ginger Rogers and William Holden.

### Visited China

He said after the war he visited China, and there he saw the reality of God everywhere. In California, he decided to preach the gospel after a friend gave him a Bible to study, Mr. Herman said.

He hopes to return to the Colony next year when he will hold religious meetings. From Hongkong he will visit Singapore, Djakarta and Berlin, before returning home.

## Ho Tung Paintings Being Renovated

Oil paintings of old Hongkong and China, which belonged to the late Sir Robert Ho Tung, are now being renovated by experts in the United Kingdom.

Sir Robert willed the paintings to the Government shortly before his death. The collection, known as the Ho Tung Collection, comprises 64 oil paintings illustrating China and Hongkong scenes in the 18th and 19th centuries.

The collection includes a number of paintings attributed to Chintory and Castiglione. It is hoped that the collection will be available for exhibition in Hongkong soon.

### Hongkong In 1816

The Legislative Council meeting today is voting for a sum of \$17,870 for the cost of the renovation.

The Council is also voting for \$948, a further provision required to the approved additional provision of \$17,970, for the purchase of seven pictures on Hongkong.

The pictures, three of which are coloured drawings and four lithographs, illustrate also old Hongkong scenes as early as 1810.

## A SUPER WATCH DOG BECOMES A FATHER



Mrs. Harrington takes Digger, her ten-year-old Tibetan Mastiff, for an afternoon walk at Fanling.

by William Smyly

DIGGER has become the father of pups. Whether that will make any difference to Hongkong depends on the pups. But the fact that they exist at all makes it worth taking a look at Digger.

Digger is a Tibetan mastiff, a killer "guard dog" imported from Afghanistan where he was born and where his parents belonged to a nomadic tribe of herdsmen who wandered with no regard for borders over pastures of Tibet, Kashmir, Afghanistan, Pakistan's "North West Frontier", and North Persia.

This dog has a head the size of a lion and teeth reckoned to be as effective. The ruff round his neck grows as thick as the wool of a sheep and when unclipped makes him virtually impenetrable to attack from other dogs. The breed is said to hunt lions in Russia, and will attack a leopard or panther.

At six months Digger was run over by an empty five-ton lorry, yet he survived. For a while he was paralysed, but later recovered and shows (to anyone not accustomed to the breed anyway) no signs of his experience. His mistress says that his hind quarters are poorly developed, and that he might have grown even larger and stronger than he is today.

### Roar

Most fearful thing about this animal is the grinding roar he makes in his throat as he draws his breath between barks. He is the colour of a lion, almost the size of a lion, and the roar is the same kind of sound.

With Digger on guard, his home in Fanling is the safest place in the Colony. But if even an invited guest comes to ten Digger must first be lodged in a dungeon before the visitor is safe inside the gate.

The fortified villages in Afghanistan two dogs like this are chained at the gates, as Cerberus was chained at the

gates of Hell, and no one but their own tribe may enter. Such dogs are said to leave children alone but to take six weeks and more before they will recognise a new member of their own establishment. They are not dogs to go up and pat. Yet to his master and mistress, Colonel and Mrs. F. T. Harrington, (and especially to Mrs. Harrington for he is her dog) Digger is as docile as a stuffed toy bear, and sometimes he looks rather like one.

### Ferocious

Dog books describe this animal as the nearest of living types to the ancestor of the many mastiff breeds including the St. Bernard and the Newfoundland; ferociously disposed and never popular outside Tibet, though occasional representatives have visited Britain and America where they aroused interest as curiosities.

This is Digger. What of the pups? The pups seem to be divided almost equally in characteristics between their mother and father. One of them is twice the size of any of the others, and will be the image of his father. The others are smaller.

Their mother is a sausage-shaped yellow Labrador retriever, with webbed feet. Again, according to the dog book and to Mr. Alfonso Barretto who has looked one of the pups and looked up the ancestry...

"the Chesapeake Bay retriever has webbed feet and is related to the Yellow Labrador whose ancestor is the Newfoundland Mastiff. And the Tibetan Mastiff is the ancestor of the Newfoundland. So the choice of a mate was fortunate."

### Fat Body

But by temperament the yellow bitch is as unlike her wild ancestral husband as possible. We had hardly met when she came up to lick my hands and wag her whole fat body with the force of a tail like a paddle. It would be hard to imagine a more fat, greasy, soppy, affectionate bitch.

Of the pups, Pancho is the biggest, strongest, and most like his father. He was 1lb. when born and 2½ lbs by the end of the first week. At three weeks his head is still so big and heavy he can hardly pick it off the boards.

The Harringtons plan to keep him so that one day he may

## GODOWNS GUTTED BY FIRE

A fire that swept through three storeys of an old Chinese building behind the Central Theatre today gutted two warehouses and destroyed belongings of dozens of families.

About a hundred people fled from the building when the fire began shortly before 11 a.m.

Most residents of the building were out at the time. Police believe that if the fire had broken out at night many would have died.

Police were told that the outbreak began on the first floor of the building, 2 Tsai On Lane, where employees of a kerosene stove storehouse were cooking a meal.

### Blaze Spreads

The blaze spread to the basement godown of a pottery works and to the second floor which was mainly living quarters.

Adjacent buildings were scorched by the flames but the fire did not spread to a printing works next door.

The works contain tons of paper and inflammable ink.

The building is on the corner of Tsai On Lane and Circular Path.

### 6 Fire Engines

When smoke first began to pour from the building several neighbours rushed into the second and third floor and dragged out mattresses, blankets and other personal possessions which belonged to friends who were away at the time.

Six fire engines from Central and Eastern Stations, two ambulances and several police cars raced to the fire.

Traffic was diverted from Queen's Road Central along Jervois Street into Des Voeux Road.

Firmen had the flames under control in 20 minutes.

Police at first feared that workers may have been trapped in the burning building but firmen who later searched the ruins found no trace of victims.

No one has so far been reported missing.

take the place of Digger who is now 10 years old. With a short haired mother there may be a chance that he will suffer less in the tropical summer of Hongkong. But it is likely that the father's guard-dog instinct will be strong in all his children.

### Reliable

With expert handlers like the dog men of the Royal Air Force, the Tibetan mastiff or a strain of Tibetan mastiff in a cross would probably be ideal. But it will be interesting to see if enough of the mother's gentler nature is mixed in with the cross to produce a reliable watch dog for the ordinary wealthy family in Hongkong.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"We're wasting time in the library! With all these 'quiet' signs, I'd rather try the drugstore for a date!"

## From the Files 25 years AGO

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has requested Congress to authorise the expenditure of \$3,300,000,000 for a gigantic public works programme to provide the machinery for a great co-operative movement among all industries in order to obtain a wide increase of employment, to shorten the working week, to pay a decent wage for the shorter week and prevent unfair competition and disastrous over-production. (1933, President Eisenhower did likewise two months ago).

Capetown—South Africa today (May 17) voted for 72 members of the new Legislative Assembly. Women took an active part in the election when they voted for the first time in the history of South Africa politics.

A GREAT reception was given the visiting film comedians, Wheeler and Woolsey, at the Central Theatre last night (May 18). The film "Hold 'Em Jail", in which these famous Hollywood fun-makers appear was screened and the couple were the guests of the Central Theatre management at the 9.30 p.m. performance. A crowd of at least 3,000 people was packed in front of the theatre and when the two comedians appeared, they were mobbed. It was interesting to see the Chinese, usually unmonstrative, exhibiting the greatest enthusiasm.

Seven nationalities were represented by ships which entered the port during the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday (May 18). Altogether 20 ships called within this period, nine of which flew the British flag, Japanese, Italian, Greek, Norwegian, Chinese, Dutch, French and Danish one each. The tonnage, if it does not constitute a record, comes close to being one. Of the 71,334 tons for the vessels entered, 21,516 is claimed by the British Empire of Canada which was the largest ship to arrive.

AUSTRALIAN residents of Hongkong last night (May 18) decided to form an association here. To be called the Australian Association of Hongkong and South China, this body will have for its objects the promotion of Australian ideals and the fostering of a spirit of comradeship among the Australians here. The following Committee was elected by last night's meeting—Dr. H. D. Matthews—President; Mr. T. A. Milburn—Vice President; Mr. J. M. Kelleher—Treasurer; Mr. N. Stockton—Secretary; Messrs J. Hunter, A. W. Ingram, J. Way, H. Ching and Dr. Traill—Committee Members.

Hongkong honoured its Imperial duty and residents flocked in thousands to our Second British Empire Fair opened by H. E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday (May 24). A fitting display for Empire Day. From the farthest-flung Dominions of the greatest Empire the world has ever known, that choicest produce, the finest of manufactures, came in profusion for a wonderful public to see, admire and buy...

THE local Chinese YMCA Day School will be celebrating its 25th anniversary today (May 23) with a full day programme. In the morning at 8 o'clock, there will be flag raising exercises before the entire student body, faculty and friends of the school. At 2 p.m. there will be an exhibition of students' work and in the evening, an entertainment will be held in the auditorium.

Macao—The new electric supply machinery installed by the Macao Electric Lighting Company has been erected and tests are being carried out daily with the installation. The steel structure, entirely up to 120 feet tall and another similar set has been ordered to complete the equipment required for the present stage of the company's operations.

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